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CONGRESSIONAL TOPICS.

THE APPROPRIATIONS BILL UNDER CONSIDERATION IN COMMITTEE—THE RESUMPTION ACT QUESTION—CARRYING THE MAILS—THREE MORE INVESTIGATIONS ORDERED BY THE HOUSE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—A gentleman named Hitchcock was before the House Committee on Appropriations to-day urging an appropriation of $50,000 to test a large gun of which he is the inventor, and for which he claims great destructive powers. Large sums have already been expended in making tests with this gun at the Springfield Arsenal by the Ordnance Corps of the Army. The committee are not likely to vote the sum requested by Mr. Hitchcock. Mr. McCartee, of the Printing and Engraving Division of the Treasury Department, was also before the committee to explain a deficiency in his division of about three hundred thousand dollars. This deficiency arises from several causes, the principal being that, after the annual appropriation was made at the last session, Congress ordered two of the three impressions given national bank notes to be done at the Treasury Department, which materially increased the expense of McCartee's division. Another cause which contributes to the deficiency is the fact that a mistake was made in the estimates presented last year, several million sheets less than the actual number required having been returned in the estimates. The committee seem satisfied with Mr. McCartee's explanation, but will not take action until after they have heard Secretary Bristow on Thursday next. Only about one-third of the Legislative, Judicial, and Executive bill has thus far been acted upon by the committee. The Post Office Appropriation bill is being prepared by a subcommittee, and will be ready to report to the full committee in a few days.

The Committee on Banking and Currency are represented, from a Democratic source, to be laboring satisfactorily to harmonize the views of the majority of the members. This has been so far accomplished that it is said the Democrats will all agree to a report which will favor the repeal of the Resumption act and the passage of a law which they claim will produce speedy resumption. The scheme is said to be in its points a direction to the Secretary of the Treasury to accumulate gold in the Treasury at the rate of five per cent. each year of all the legal tenders and fractional currency outstanding, till the Government has thirty per cent. of the amount of the currency in gold on hand. This amount is thought by the authors of the proposition to be large enough to float the paper currency, and redemption in gold will then be directed to begin. A bill containing these provisions, it is said, will be agreed to by all the Democrats on the committee, and possibly by Mr. Eames, of Rhode Island, a Republican. The leaders announce a purpose to canvass the House very thoroughly, and not bring in a report till they are reasonably certain it will be agreed to by a majority of the House. The committee is also watching with considerable anxiety the action of the caucus.

The Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, examining the straw bid system, had before them to-day Capt. T. P. Leasters, owner and commander of a steamer on the Mississippi River, running between St. Louis and New-Orleans. The drift of his testimony was to show that though he had carried United States mails for many years, he had never been able to get a contract directly from the department, but always had received it from some middleman. One middle-man was B. H. Petersen, who has become notorious in connection with mail contracts in the South-west.

Three more investigations were ordered to-day by the House. An inquiry was directed to be made into the manner and expense of printing the heads and notes of the Government, and whether proper care is observed to secure the Government against losses. The committee is authorized to send for persons and papers and to sit during the sessions of the House. The Committee on Foreign Affairs were instructed to inquire into Minister Schenck's connection with the Emma Mine, and his alleged prosecution of private claims before the British Government. In this connection the Secretary of State is required to furnish the House copies of such correspondence as may have passed between the Department and Minister Schenck. The Postmaster-General was requested to furnish the House with the amounts due to Postmasters in the Southern States prior to the war, and which remain unsettled. Repeated efforts have been made since the close of the rebellion to pass bills for the relief of these cases, and this inquiry has the passage of such a bill in view. The Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds were instructed to ascertain the amount required to finish the New-York Post Office and Court-house building.

The House Democratic caucus will meet again to-morrow night to resume the attempt to agree upon a financial policy. There has been an effort made since the last caucus to suppress further agitation of the question until later in the session, but it is very doubtful whether it can succeed, for there are two elements in the party urging haste in the settlement. These are the out-and-out inflationists and those who only desire a repeal of the Resumption act, but have that desire very intense. The same line of policy will be likely to be pursued to-morrow night as on last Monday, and result in nothing. The active party will, however, make an interesting occasion for the do-nothings.

Mr. Springer, Chairman of the Committee on Expenditures in the State Department, which committee has taken a large mass of testimony touching the diplomatic and consular service, has prepared a speech, which he will deliver to-morrow, on the Diplomatic and Consular bill. He says he will produce evidence that Gen. Badeau, Consul General at London, is receiving for his services a sum larger than is paid first-class foreign Ministers. This sum, he charges, is made up by exorbitant charges and illegal fees. Among the instances of this kind he will show that in April, 1872, Badeau, while drawing pay as Consul General, charged $500 for carrying dispatches from London to Madrid.

Mr. Kasson to-day offered two resolutions touching the currency, which created for a time a great deal of excitement on the Democratic side. The first resolution expressed, as a matter of principle, that there is no authority in the Constitution for issuing in time of peace paper to circulate as money and making it legal tender in payment of debts. The second resolution stated as a matter of policy that legislation by Congress should keep steadily in view the resumption of specie payments. This is in the language of the last National Democratic platform. The Democrats tried to have the resolutions referred to a committee, but were compelled to vote directly upon them, and they were lost by a vote of 140 to 96. The 96 were nearly all Republicans. In fact the vote was nearly partisan, the Democrats refusing to stand by their platform, or to declare legal tenders unconstitutional in time of peace.

Col. Broome, of Brooklyn, was before the Committee on Naval Affairs to-day, and made an argument against the abolition of the Marine Corps. The committee intended at first to sweep away this corps entirely, but the arguments have shaken their determination, and it is now probable that such reductions will be recommended as will save some three hundred thousand dollars per year in the cost of the Marines.

Gen. Humphreys was to-day before the Committee on the Mississippi Levees. He gave the committee much practical information, and in the opinion of Mr. Ellis, the chairman, made a strong argument in support of the national character of the levees. He said the system, to be of any use, must be uniform in all the States on the river, and he advocated the placing of the work under the Engineer Corps.

THE LOUISIANA SENATORSHIP.

SPEECHES ON THE ADMISSION OF MR. PINCHBACK—DEMOCRATS CONFIDENT OF HIS DEFEAT—A CLOSE VOTE ANTICIPATED.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Senate, after an hour of routine business to-day, resumed the consideration of the resolution for the admission of Mr. Pinchback. Contrary to expectation, Mr. Thurman made a prepared speech, in accordance with a final determination among Democrats on Saturday that he should present the legal aspects of the case. Now that Thurman has broken the Democratic silence upon this question, Bayard will, it is said, feel compelled to make a short argument upon the general points of the opposition. How many more of his political faith will feel compelled to make speeches it is hard to predict. The purpose was to confine the discussion to Thurman's presentation of the law. His speech was a strong presentation of the case from his stand-point, but there was really nothing new that has not been told over and over again in the long and frequent discussion upon Louisiana affairs. Senator Howe, of Wisconsin, followed Mr. Thurman in an extemporaneous speech in favor of Mr. Pinchback's right to the seat. He made some strong points on that side. The final vote will be yet considerably delayed. The Democrats now seem confident of defeating Mr. Pinchback's admission, although they admit that it will be a very close vote. They were counting names this evening, and think that they can defeat him by a tie vote, if not by one majority. They claim to be able to rally twenty-nine Democratic votes, and they count certainly upon the aid of the following Republicans: Edmunds, Morrill of Vermont, and Morrill of Maine, Christiancy, Booth, Hamilton, Wadleigh, Dawes, and Robertson. They count Allison and Jones in the doubtful list, from which they must get one man, as it will take thirty-seven votes to defeat Pinchback, if a full Senate votes, leaving out Sharon and allowing that an equal number are absent or paired from both sides. On the other hand, the Republicans who favor admission say that they will seat Pinchback by one vote, and until to-day the opposition had conceded such a result.

In the executive session of the Senate to-day the case of E. C. Billings, nominated for the United States Judgeship at New-Orleans, vacated by Judge Durell, was called up for confirmation, and was the subject of quite a warm debate. Mr. West pushed the matter with considerable energy, and produced a strong opposition which after an hour of debate succeeded in forcing an adjournment without action. The debate showed, however, that while there was strength enough of opposition to postpone action, there was not probably strength enough to prevent confirmation.

THE OLD NEW-YORK POST OFFICE.

A BILL INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEEDING OF THE SITE TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Mr. Wood, of New-York, to-day introduced a bill in the House directing the Secretary of the Treasury and the Postmaster General to deed to the Chamber of Commerce of New-York the site of the old Post Office for $200,000. The preamble to the bill recites that in 1860 the site was purchased for $250,000, of which $50,000 was contributed by members of the Board of Commerce, or by interests represented in the membership, and that money has never been refunded. The contributors have requested a return of the property to the Chamber of Commerce on equitable terms under the circumstances. The statement also accompanies the bill that the site of the present Post Office was deeded to the Government at a price below its real value. These reasons are given for the sale of the old site to the Chamber of Commerce for the price named.

THE CENTENNIAL APPROPRIATION.

POSTPONEMENT OF THE BILL IN THE SENATE—OPPOSITION TO THE MEASURE ANTICIPATED.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Centennial bill did not come up in the Senate to-day, having been postponed, partly to suit the convenience of a Senator who is intending to speak on it. It is the intention of the friends of the bill to have it taken up to-morrow, and they expect to pass it without amendment. There is likely, however, to be a spirited debate and some opposition, and attempts will be made to amend the bill so as to give the Government still further control of the expenditure of the money appropriated. The bill will be accepted by the Centennial Commissioners if passed as it came from the House, though the provision which makes the amount appropriated a preferred debt of the commission is not at all satisfactory to the subscribers to the stock. Success is now so important, however, that it must be sought on any terms consistent with honor, and there can be no delay.

THE CONSULAR-DIPLOMATIC BILL.

GENERAL DEBATE ON THE SUBJECT IN THE HOUSE—AN ABLE SPEECH BY GEN. GARFIELD—THE BILL TO BE CONSIDERED TO-DAY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Diplomatic bill was again considered by the House to-day, the time being devoted to general debate. Mr. Holman occupied the floor for an hour, and charged great extravagance in the conduct of the foreign service. He was followed by Gen. Garfield, who argued against the reductions made by the committee in many parts of the bill. He particularly instanced China and Japan, reciting the effort and money expended in opening those countries to commerce, and showing the great advantages to follow from maintaining proper diplomatic intercourse with them. European countries recognize the importance of encouraging and fostering commerce with those countries, and are spending ten times the amount expended by the United States in maintaining their diplomatic and consular relations. To reduce our diplomatic service in the East is to lower the national dignity and lose the commercial and political advantages already gained. Gen. Garfield also showed the advantages to follow from maintaining proper diplomatic relations with South American countries, and argued against the reductions proposed by the committee. The bill will be considered to-morrow under the five-minute rule. Mr. Holman's speech was painfully funny in an attempt to ridicule the dispatches of our Ministers abroad. The reply, interjected by Mr. Monroe, that if the foreign missions were to be abolished because of some ridiculous letters, the House of Representatives should share the same fate for some of the speeches of its members, was appropos, and was greatly enjoyed.

PACIFIC RAILROADS.

ARGUMENTS RELATING TO THE TEXAS PACIFIC ROAD—THE SINKING FUND PROPOSITIONS OF THE UNION AND CENTRAL PACIFIC ROADS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Senate Committee on Pacific Railroads heard this morning Mr. Storrs, of New-York, on the requirements of former laws relating to the Texas Pacific Road, and on the right of Congress to transfer the right of way and lands between California and the Texas boundary to the Southern Pacific Company. Ex-Gov. Brown, of Tennessee, made an argument on the Constitutional power of Congress to indorse the bonds of the Texas Company, saying that the Southern Pacific reports showed that they had still 700 miles of road to build in California before their line would be completed to Fort Yuma, and that they now proposed to build 1,000 miles without any additional capital, as shown in their own bill. Senator West, the Chairman of the committee, said he would address a letter to the officers of the Southern Pacific Company, asking what security they would give of their ability and intention to continue the road to meet the Texas Pacific. Mr. Storrs answered they would give satisfactory security. The committee announced they would hear no additional arguments.

Col. Morton, of New-York, was subpœnaed before the House Judiciary Committee to-day in relation to the act incorporating the Transcontinental Railroad Company, the title of which was subsequently changed by Congress to that of the Texas Pacific; but he failed to show that any improper means had been adopted to secure the passage of the act.

The Sinking Fund propositions of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific Railroad Companies, sent to Congress by the Secretary of the Treasury to-day, are those which were made by the said companies in February of last year, shortly before the adjournment of Congress, providing in each case for the creation of a sinking fund by the payment of certain fixed amounts into the United States Treasury yearly, and also the retention by the Government of all amounts then or thereafter earned for Governmental transportation. Secretary Bristow expresses an opinion that some such arrangement should be made, but leaves it wholly to Congress to determine how and by what means, and in what sums, and at what period the Sinking Funds should be obtained and applied. He intimates, however, that he considers the offers of the two companies inadequate. The Central Pacific proposed to pay $400,000 per annum, and the Union Pacific $500,000 per annum, for the first ten years, $750,000 per annum for the next ten years, and $1,000,000 yearly thereafter.

Secretary Bristow says, with reference to these propositions: "No definite action was taken by me in the matter, partly for the reason that Congress was about to adjourn, and partly on account of the inadequacy of the sums proposed by the companies to be paid and retained in the Treasury as a sinking fund in compromise of the claims of the Government against them. It seemed to me, however, that it was desirable to reach an adjustment whereby the vexatious differences which had long perplexed the Government, and largely affected the credit, if not the prosperity of the companies, should be finally composed. In reaching such a result, it is obviously for the interest of both, and especially the Government, that an arrangement should be made by which a fixed annual or semi-annual sum should be paid by the companies, so that when the principal of the debt becomes due the Government may hold in its Treasury a large sum applicable to the extinguishment of the debt. How and by what means, in what sums, and in what periods this fund should be obtained and applied is for Congress to determine. But it was and is my opinion that it would be a wise precaution to place corporations under a definite and binding obligation, with their consent, to set apart from their semi-annual earnings, and deliver to the Government, a reasonable and fixed sum, so that their managers might constantly feel the pressure of this duty upon themselves, and not be permitted to treat it as a matter to be looked to in the distant future or by a succeeding board of officers."

THE WEATHER.

SYNOPSIS AND PROBABILITIES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8—1 A. M.—The low barometer last night over Lakes Huron and Ontario has moved eastward beyond the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The pressure is now highest from the Middle States to the lakes, Minnesota and Dakota. Occasional rain has fallen in the Gulf and South Atlantic States. A storm is apparently advancing eastward over the coasts of Oregon and California. The Mississippi River has continued falling at St. Louis and Cairo, stationary at Memphis, and risen six inches at Vicksburg, where it has reached the "danger line."

PROBABILITIES.

In the South Atlantic and Gulf States, rising or stationary barometer, north-east to south-east winds, generally warmer and cloudy weather, and occasional rains will prevail, except lower temperature in first district.

In Tennessee, the Ohio Valley, and lake region, rising, succeeded by falling barometer, winds veering to north-east and south-east, and colder, partly cloudy weather, followed by rising temperature from Western Tennessee to the upper lakes.

In the Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys, falling barometer, winds veering to easterly and southerly, warmer, partly cloudy weather, and possibly followed in the northern portions by snow, and in the southern portions by rain.

In the Middle and Eastern States, high barometer, north-westerly winds, veering to north-eastern, colder, partly cloudy weather, and followed in the former by falling barometer.

The Mississippi River will continue slowly falling at Cairo, nearly stationary at Memphis, and slowly rising at Vicksburg.

THE BLACK HILLS MINERS.

OMAHA, Feb. 7.—A letter from Custer City, in the Black Hills, dated Jan. 25, says over forty houses are now up and sixty in process of erection. Water has been found at a depth of twenty feet. A steam saw-mill will be in operation in eight days. Flour is selling at $12 per hundred weight, and bacon at thirty cents a pound. The new parties who arrived this Winter have made new laws, and old pioneers find their claim a "jumpeel." Miners from the north, this side of the Big Horn, report new discoveries, far surpassing any yet made, and thirty men left here to-day to prospect them. Red Cloud and several hundred warriors have gone North. It is reported they said they would die on the war path rather than remain on the reservation and starve. Sitting Bull will co-operate with them.

CHIEF JUSTICE WHITE ON POLYGAMY.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 7.—Chief Justice White, in charging the Grand Jury to-day concerning polygamy, said: "We had better look it squarely in the face, distasteful as it may be to some, and govern ourselves by right, reason, and manly discretion in dealing with it. Polygamy must be suppressed in this Territory. Mormonism may survive it, and relieved from it would stand unshackled and free as every other creed or mode of religious worship, shielded and protected by the Constitution of our common country, but if Mormonism cannot sever itself from polygamy it will be to it the bridal of death."

LATEST NEWS BY CABLE.

THE TURKISH PROVINCES.

MONTENEGRO'S GRIEVANCES—THE REFORM QUESTION.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 7.—Negotiations between Turkey and Montenegro for the cession of territory to the latter are officially denied, but it is stated that it is necessary for Montenegro to find increased pasture lands. Turkey offers a prospect for satisfying this requirement at an opportune moment, but the settlement of such special questions now would complicate the general issue.

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—The Sublime Porte's circular, in regard to the reforms promised in the Northern provinces, mentions as the basis of its decision not only the negotiations with Austria, Russia, and Germany, but also the support of the scheme by the other guaranteeing powers.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The *Daily News* Vienna special says the premature publication of Count Andrassy's note has caused much annoyance here. The official text was hurriedly published yesterday.

REFUSAL OF ROUMANIA TO PAY TRIBUTE IN ADVANCE—OBLIGATION TO PAY ANY LONGER DENIED.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The *Kelet Nepe*, a journal of Pesth, publishes the following: The Sublime Porte, on account of its financial difficulties, recently requested Roumania to pay her customary tribute in advance. The Roumanian Government has sent a note in reply, declaring that the treaties stipulate that the tribute is payable only in return for the obligation assumed by Turkey to defend Roumania from foreign invasion. The Porte, however, has shown itself incapable of quelling a local insurrection. The Roumanian Government is convinced it can no longer rely on Turkey for protection; therefore the obligation to pay tribute is at an end. Roumania moreover complains that the Porte has concentrated troops at Widin and sent ships up the Danube under a false pretext that the threatening attitude of Servia rendered such measures necessary. Roumania is consequently compelled to take measures to protect her frontiers. The note concludes with the declaration that Roumania as an independent State will resist every attempt to occupy her territory or march foreign troops through it.

THE HERZEGOVINIAN INSURGENTS.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—A special dispatch to the *Times* from Cattaro says the Herzegovinian leaders Peko and Socica have united their bands in the district of Zubzi, and are now organizing their forces and preparing for future operations. Socica will probably be made Commander in Chief. Typhus fever has broken out among the refugees in Grahovo and Bjelopawlitje.

SPAIN.

THE ELECTIONS FOR THE CORTES—FRAUDS BY THE GOVERNMENT—THE CARLISTS.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The *Times* publishes a letter from Seville this morning which contains the following details of the recent elections in Spain for members of the new Cortes: "The frauds and intimidation practiced by the Government in the conduct of the elections have done more to destroy confidence and promote discord in the provinces than can possibly be estimated. Not only was wholesale bribery practiced, but voting papers were forged by thousands. In one town in Andalusia the Liberals presented a protest, whereupon five or six persons were immediately imprisoned. Men-of-war were sent to seaports of known liberal proclivities, and carbineers and armed Police in other places hindered the voters. In some districts voting licenses were only given to known partisans of the Ministry."

A dispatch to the *Standard* from Durango reports that several hundred Carlists deserted last week. Gen. Quesada holds every avenue into Alava and Biscay. Don Carlos is at Tolosa with a large force of artillery and twenty battalions facing Gen. Moriones. Bad weather prevents any advance.

MADRID, Feb. 7.—It is stated here that the Biscayan and Navarrese provincial deputies have told Don Carlos not to expect any further aid from them. There was a heavy snow-storm in Navarre and Guipuzcoa yesterday. Official dispatches announce that Gen. Quesada has driven the Carlists from Abadiano, near Durango, after a sharp engagement. Seventy more Carlists have submitted in Navarre.

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, Feb. 7.—Thirteen Carlist batteries, under Gens. Caserta and Perula, are concentrated near Echelar and Sanestaban to defend Vera.

GREAT BRITAIN.

THE UNITED STATES NEW "FIVES"—CARDINAL MANNING AND THE RITUALISTS.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The *Times* this morning in its financial article says the market is bare of United States new five per cents., (funded loan.)

Cardinal Manning writes to the *Times* to-day stating that the telegrams from Rome that he intends to proceed thither to promote the union of a portion of the English ritualistic clergy with the Roman Catholic Church, and that he had made proposals to the Vatican looking to that end, are both from first to last wholly devoid of truth. He proceeds as follows: "No scheme whatsoever on the subject of ritualism has ever been conceived by me. None has ever been to my knowledge proposed or opposed or defended at Rome."

Viscount Galway is dead.

THE SUBJECTS TO BE PRESENTED IN THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—The *Times* in its leading article says the measures to be announced in the Queen's speech on the reopening of Parliament will include the Merchant Shipping bill; a bill extending the new system of Judicature to Ireland, and the reconsideration of the acts now in operation in England where the question of the appellate jurisdiction of the House of Lords is still undecided. A Royal Commission will be promised to inquire into the fugitive slave question. Among other subjects to be mentioned is England's relations with China. There has been a chance of war with China, which may not have entirely disappeared. Her Majesty will announce the happy end of the Malay war. Burmah will also be alluded to. The most important part of the speech will refer to Eastern affairs. The intimation of a continued friendship with foreign powers will doubtless have its usual place; and in these days it would be too much to say such unbroken concord is a matter of course. It is said the opposition intend to propose a specific resolution concerning the purchase of the Suez Canal shares, not as an amendment to the address, but in a separate form, and a powerful oratorical onslaught is expected to be made on the Government for that transaction. The Government in the debate on the address to-night will also be severely censured by the opposition speakers for the fugitive slave circular of the Admiralty.

The *Daily Telegraph* says Mr. Gladstone will not participate in the debate on the address.

THE CUBAN QUESTION.

POSITION OF GERMANY ON THE SUBJECT OF THE AMERICAN NOTE.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—A special dispatch from Berlin to the *Daily News* says the report that Germany has declined to make any representations to Spain in regard to Cuba is incorrect. The German Government has not answered the communication of the United States, which did not require or invite an answer. But there is every reason to believe that Germany is not unwilling to impress upon Spain the justice of the American complaints, and the advisability of making some redress.

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

FALL OF A SHILLING IN ENGLAND—FLOUR LOWER IN FRANCE.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The Mark Lane *Express*, in its review of the grain markets for the past week, says the weather has been muggy and unfavorable to trade; prices have generally declined about a shilling per quarter in consequence of the deteriorated condition. Home deliveries are still short compared with last year. Business has been heavy, and imports have been rather less, and will probably continue to diminish until prices improve. At Paris flour has declined a franc. In Germany the markets have rather improved, while in Belgium and Holland they were dull and unchanged.

MARINE DISASTERS.

A STEAMER DAMAGED BY COLLISION—A DERELICT DANISH BRIG—WRECK OF THE SHIP SURPRISE.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 7.—The British steamship Statesman, Capt. Valiant, from New-York, Jan. 21, has arrived here. She has a large hole in her port bow, having been in collision. Besides the collision, the Statesman struck the north end of the Woodside landing stage, and in docking struck the Morpeth Dock wall. The owners state that the damages are not very serious, the iron dock having saved her. The vessel makes no water, and the cargo is apparently not damaged.

ELSINORE, Feb. 6.—The Danish brig Titania, Capt. Marker, from Philadelphia, which was reported at Tyloen derelict, has stranded at Lysegrund, near the Island of Hesseloe. The crew were landed here yesterday. The vessel has gone adrift.

YOKOHAMA, Feb. 5.—The American ship Surprise, Capt. Johnson, from New-York Sept. 25, for Yokohama, was wrecked yesterday at Plymouth Rock. No lives were lost, and it is hoped the cargo will be saved.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The Norwegian brig Frithjof, Capt. Anderson, from Baltimore, Md., Jan. 10, for Dundalk, was recently abandoned at sea. The master was drowned. The crew have arrived at Gravesend.

AUSTRIA AND GERMANY.

DR. LEVYSHON, A PRUSSIAN NEWSPAPER WRITER, EXPELLED FROM AUSTRIA—REPORTED COOLNESS BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The *Times* Berlin special this morning says that Dr. Levyshon, the eminent Prussian journalist, and the Vienna correspondent of several German newspapers, notwithstanding the intercession of the German Ambassador, and despite Dr. Levyshon's well-known moderation, has been expelled from Austria, charged with disseminating intelligence unfavorable to the realm. In a letter to Prince Auersperg, the Austrian Prime Minister, the Doctor charges the Premier with ordering his expulsion merely to prove his indifference to the opinion of those persons at Berlin who have been endeavoring to keep Prince Auersperg in office, the reference being to the article in the semi-official *Provincial Correspondens*, (already sent by cable,) in which apprehensions are said to be felt of a serious estrangement between Germany and Austria.

A Vienna journal contradicts the rumors of a change of the Cisleithan Ministry, and states that Count Taafe was not recently received by the Emperor, as has been asserted.

GERMANY.

VON ARNIM'S ABSENCE DUE TO ILL HEALTH.

FLORENCE, Feb. 7.—The *Perseveranza* says Count Von Arnim has sent a medical certificate to his agent at Berlin, as a proof that ill health prevents his return to Germany.

MEXICO.

PARTISANS OF DIAZ PLOTTING AGAINST PRESIDENT LERDO—THE RIO GRANDE BORDER QUESTION—ATTACKS ON PROTESTANT CHURCHES.

HAVANA, Feb. 7.—The steamer City of Mexico arrived from Vera Cruz this morning. She brings the following news:

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 1.—Manifestoes have appeared signed by Gens. Diaz and Guerra at Guanajuato. Their purpose is to begin a revolution, with the ultimate object of defeating Lerdo de Tejada and placing Porfirio Diaz in the Presidency. Few persons are disposed to deny the authenticity of the document, and the fear of revolution is general. The *Two Republics* comments on the manifestoes, and concludes that Lerdo's re-election means war. Business is sorely afflicted. The whereabouts of Diaz is unknown. It is reported that Gen. Marquez, a man of notoriety under the Empire, will lead a revolution of the Church Party against President Lerdo, and he may possibly unite with Diaz. Gen. Marquez has left Havana.

The *Trait d'Union*, referring to the application made by the American Minister some time ago, declares that Mexico cannot allow American troops to pursue marauders into Mexican territory. While the Governments are now friendly, the bandits on both sides are protected by their respective nations on account of their nationality. Neither Government has sufficient force to suppress the outrages. The only remedy is for both to organize special corps, independent of the army having jurisdiction over the Rio Grande and its borders, and which should be placed under the direction of a mixed commission. It is said that Mexico will demand indemnity from the United States for damages caused by the raid on the Rio Grande. Gen. Cortina has been permitted to walk in the streets, accompanied by prison officials.

A mob recently stoned the Protestant Church in the plaza of San Fernando, in this city. The Protestants in Acapulco are rapidly increasing in numbers since the assassination of Mr. Richardson.

The Minister of War has disapproved of the conduct of an army official at Apam, who sentenced a creditor to service in the regular army for dunning him.

Many indigent persons from the States have come to Mexico of late, where they have been dependent on the charity of their countrymen for a living and the means of returning home.

MURDER OF A DEPUTY MARSHAL.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 7.—A special dispatch from Brownsville to the *Avalanche* says: "Samuel Boyd, Deputy United States Marshal, was shot and killed on Saturday evening by H. M. Clarke, one of the editors of the *Democrat*, in a quarrel which grew out of a political discussion which commenced in jest, Boyd accusing Clarke of having been a Ku-Klux leader, and Clarke retorting by saying that Boyd had been a Loyal League leader, to which Boyd responded, "You're a —— liar." Clarke asked Boyd to retract, but instead Boyd put his hand behind him as if to draw a pistol, and advanced on Clarke, who drew a pistol and fired three shots, one taking effect in the right arm, another in the shoulder, and the third near the heart. Boyd expired in a few moments. Clarke was arrested and held in $5,000 bail to answer. Both men have families and were previously on good terms."

THE NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

THE TRENTON LUNATIC ASYLUM—ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN AID OF THE CENTENNIAL.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

TRENTON, Feb. 7.—In the Senate to-night the House resolution appointing a special committee to inquire into the administration of the Trenton Lunatic Asylum was concurred in. On motion of Senator Hopper the bill in relation to the lands under public statute was so amended as to permit of the publication of notices of sale in German papers. In the House Mr. Brewer introduced a bill authorizing the selection in joint meeting of an Insurance Commissioner. The duties of such Commissioner have always devolved heretofore on the Secretary of State. Mr. Skellinger introduced a bill providing for the selection by the Board of Freeholders in each county, for the publication of the public laws, of as many newspapers as such county has representatives in the Legislature. The bill appropriating $100,000 additional to the State Centennial Commission was passed. This makes a total of $120,000 appropriated for that purpose. The money is needed to erect a building on the grounds in Philadelphia for the accommodation and convenience of visitors from this State. Speaker Carscallen presented a memorial from the citizens of Princeton, asking that in case a State Centennial celebration is to be held it may be held in that town.

REPLY TO JEFFERSON DAVIS.

LETTER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL UNION OF ANDERSONVILLE SURVIVORS, MR. GOSS, OF NORWICH, CONN.

NORWICH, Feb. 7.—Warren Lee Goss, President of the National Union of Andersonville Survivors, has written a letter to the *Bulletin*, replying to Jefferson Davis' assertion that the mortality of the Confederate prisoners in Union hands was in greater proportion than that of Union soldiers in rebel prisons. Mr. Goss quotes the Federal War Department figures, showing the total captures of soldiers and citizens by the Confederate forces to have been 188,145. And it is estimated that of these half were actually confined in prisons. The number of deaths in Confederate prisons was 36,401, consequently the per cent. of mortality in prisons was over 38¾, and the per cent. on the entire captures about 19⅜. The number of captures by the Union forces was 476,169; actually confined, (the rest being paroled or exchanged,) 327,570; per cent. of mortality in prison, 13⅛; per cent. of mortality of whole number of captures, 6⅛. Thus the mortality in rebel prisons was about three times as great as that in Union prisons. Mr. Goss also quotes the official report of the Confederate Inspector of Prisons, Lieut. Col. D. T. Chandler, who is favorably indorsed by the Confederate Assistant Secretary of War, to show that recommendations were actually made to Davis' Cabinet to replace Gen. Winder, commandant at Andersonville, with some one more humane, and the only notice taken thereof by Davis was to promote Winder to the position of Commissary General of all the Confederate prisons.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

One million dollars in silver is now en route from San Francisco to London.

The report of the failure of the Dartmouth Savings Bank, at Hanover, N. H., is pronounced wholly unfounded.

The large country store of C. J. Gerard, at Saccarappa, Me., was partially burned yesterday. Loss from $8,000 to $10,000; insurance, $2,000.

The Sturtevant Manufacturing Company, at Lebanon, N. H., was yesterday declared bankrupt, and has called a meeting of the creditors for March 7.

The engine-room of Parker Brothers' factory, in Meriden, Conn., was damaged by fire on Sunday. The loss is estimated at $10,000, fully covered by insurance.

After Landis was discharged by the court on Saturday he remained in Bridgeton until Sunday morning, when he was driven to Vineland by some of his friends.

Mayor Buckley, of Paterson, yesterday suspended Chief of Police Rice from office for drunkenness and misbehavior. Rice has been Chief for nearly five years.

The fishing schooner Polar Wave arrived at Gloucester, Mass., Sunday, and reports the loss of two men, Charles Fisher and Chester Canton, on Jan. 19, on Grand Banks, by the capsizing of a dory.

Jonathan Radiker, aged sixty-seven, who is a saloon keeper in the town of New-Windsor, was committed to Goshen Jail yesterday to await the action of the Grand Jury, for killing John Kennedy, aged forty, whom he shot last Friday.

An ice-house on Rondout Creek, opposite Rondout, owned by the Knickerbocker Ice Company, was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The house contained 6,000 tons of last year's ice at the time. The machine-shop and tools were also destroyed. The loss is estimated at between $20,000 and $25,000; insured for about $11,000.

George Dean, of Weathersfield, N. H., was fatally shot Sunday night at the Junction House, Claremont Junction, by Thomas E. Nason, a man forty-five years of age, who was intoxicated at the time. The latter claims the shooting to have been accidental, but the parties were quarreling at the time, and ill feeling existed between them.

An attempt to break jail was discovered in Elizabeth, N. J., yesterday. Two New-York horse thieves, under sentence, smuggled an old knife into their cell, cut off the iron hoops of the night-pails, jagged the edges into saws, cut up the pail staves to use as wedges with which to spring the bars, and having broken off an iron bar from the bedstead with which to kill the keeper, had all things ready to escape. They were discovered in time to prevent a general delivery.

THE ADVISORY COUNCIL.

BRIDGEPORT, Feb. 7.—The First Congregational Churches of Milford, South Norwalk, Derby, and Southport have voted to accept the invitation of Plymouth Church. The Church of Stratford declines.

NORWICH, Conn., Feb. 7.—The First Congregational Church of New-London declines the invitation to the Plymouth Church Council.

The Second Congregational Church of this city has voted unanimously to decline participation in the Plymouth Advisory Council.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.—The Whitefield Church, at Newburyport, declines to participate in the Beecher Council.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 7.—Rev. Dr. Samuel Wolcot, of this city, has finally accepted the invitation to be a member of the Advisory Council of Plymouth Church. The First and the Euclid Avenue Churches have also accepted the invitation and will send delegates. The First Church of Mansfield has also accepted.

SALE OF A TROTTER.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

MIDDLETOWN, Feb. 7.—Major J. S. Edsall, of Goshen, has sold his fine Happy Medium stallion Fleetwood to a New-York gentleman named Huxley, for, it is said, $5,000. Fleetwood is a handsome bay horse, stands about fifteen hands two inches high, can trot in about 2:30, and is out of a mare by New-York Black Hawk.

CALIFORNIA STOCKS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—The following are the closing official prices of mining stocks to-day: Consolidated Virginia, 425; California, 83½; Segregated Belcher, 85; Ophir, 53¼; Challar, 92; Savage, 23¾; Imperial, 9; Mexican, 16; Gould and Curry, 20½; Best and Belcher, 58¼; Hale and Norcross, 37½; Crown Point, 26; Yellow Jacket, 102; Empire, 6; Alpha, 23¾; Belcher, 33; Confidence, 90; Sierra Nevada, 93¼; Exchequer, 13; Overman, 66; Justice, 27¾; Caledonia, 34.

THE PIPER TRIAL IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.—The interest in the Piper trial increases each day, hundreds being unable to gain admission to the court-room. The defense put in some important testimony to-day as to the question of time, covering all but about three minutes, during which Piper's whereabouts at the time of the murder are accounted for. The trial will probably be concluded this week.

WESTERN WHISKY TRIALS.

GEN. BABCOCK'S CASE.

LARGE AND INTERESTED CROWD IN ATTENDANCE—A FORMAL PLEA OF NOT GUILTY ENTERED—THE CASE CONTINUED UNTIL THIS AFTERNOON.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 7.—The crowd which assembled in the vicinity of the United States Court building this morning indicated the great popular interest which the Babcock trial has excited. As early as 9 o'clock people who had any reason to believe they could secure admission from the officers guarding the passage to the Circuit Court room were gathering in the neighborhood, and by 9:30 the court-room proper was comfortably filled. The halls were thronged with those who could get thus far and no further, and up the steep stairway pressed a line of people, the upper end of which line was engaged in earnest debate with two stout policemen who guarded the entrance. The arrangements to secure greater comfort and convenience than were shown in preceding trials, proved well-considered and most effective. Only those having some claim to entrance were admitted. Once past the first barrier, those who enter undergo a further sifting process before any of the numerous seats outside the bar of the court can be occupied. A Marshal stands at the entrance, and only those with credentials or those known to have some connection with the case pass the gate. To the left of the table allotted to the press is the one used by the defendant and his counsel and friends. Nearer the Judge's desk is situated the table allotted to counsel for the prosecution. Scattered about are seats occupied by friends of the defendant, witnesses, &c. At 10 A. M. Judges Dillon and Treat entered and took their seats on the bench. A few moments later the party of the defendant filed into the court-room. Gen. Babcock came in with his counsel—Hon. Emory E. Storrs at

SYSTEMS OF GOVERNMENT.

LECTURE BY JOHN T. HOFFMAN.

NECESSITY OF A REGULATED ONE-MAN POWER—THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PROPER CONCENTRATION AND THE IMPROPER CENTRALIZATION OF POWER—PLAN FOR REORGANIZING THE POLICE.

A lecture on the "Limits of Government, the Problem of Liberty and Order," was delivered by ex-Gov. John T. Hoffman last evening at the monthly meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Science and Art, held in Rev. Dr. Rogers' church in Fifth avenue. The audience was very large, and the theories and suggestions advanced by the lecturer in the progress of his discourse were applauded. Rev. Dr. Prime presided, and Mayor Wickham and ex-Gov. Haines, of New-Jersey, had seats in the pulpit. A resolution of thanks to the lecturer, moved by the last mentioned gentleman and seconded by Rev. Dr. Anderson, was carried unanimously:

THE LECTURE.

MR. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I come here to-night with some misgivings. I am not about to deliver what is commonly called a "popular lecture." Nor ought it to be my effort to say merely popular things. My subject gives no opportunity for pleasing utterances about the Centennial glories of the Republic, nor for eloquent denunciations of the evils and evil-doers of the times. It confines me to political mistakes, if we have made any, and to the remedies therefor, if I can think of any. I know how difficult it is to interest an audience in a dry discussion of questions connected with Government, but when I cast my eye over this assemblage, and see so many here who represent the intellect and thought of this City, I take courage and indulge the hope that I shall have a patient hearing while I speak of things which concern our common welfare. The present condition of the private industry and public affairs of our country justifies us in looking upon this as a time of public calamity; and the questions of domestic policy of America demand the most sober and thoughtful consideration by its people. As one among the 40,000,000 who have in our joint keeping its destinies, I have accepted your invitation to say something about "Liberty and Order and the Powers of Government," or rather of "That Government which, well administered, produces in the nation, (so-called,) in States, and in cities, Liberty and Order as its natural fruits." I shall not attempt to suggest any remedy for evils inherent in our system of government. There is none. There are, however, functional derangements which may be cured; but no view of the questions before us, as applied to our own case, can be worth anything, except it be taken from the position that the people of America have determined to have, in Federal, State, and municipal affairs, a free, popular Government; and that they cannot be induced by argument, or compelled by force, to yield the power which they have reserved to themselves. Ignorance, vice, and bigotry, if largely infused, make a community incapable of self-government. When under any leadership these elements become well enough organized to control the politics of city or state, they become of course the government, bad in tendency, and despotic in rule. It is the case with which, in a compact community, ignorant, the vicious, and the bigoted, get together, and can be organized by men who know how to use the combination for their own ends, that makes good government in large cities so difficult. It would make it impossible but for the one man power, so often exercised under cover of some popular organization. In such case the leading man, or leading men, the chief, constitute what in familiar phrase is called a regency. This name is not synonymous with ring, for by ring is meant a combination of men of opposing parties, using the power of their secret alliance for personal aggrandizement, while the name of regency with us derives respectability from the old Albany Regency, known in the history of politics, who were all of one party and who were fond of power, but exerted it in the interests of good government, for the benefit of the people, and who kept high the tone of public morals. Thus, even in this, the most popular Government known to history, does power steal away from the many to the few, and from the few to one political chieftain. Here where we have so holy a horror of the "one man power," the interests of the community are often guarded for a time (sometimes injured) by the inclinations of one man, and that man, not unfrequently, one not in official life. This is the one man power, an essential element in every Government whether of a people, of a party organization, of a railroad company, or of any other branch of private business, reasserting itself. We have unwisely shut it from our State Constitution and our city charters; still it makes itself felt, because in the nature of things it is a necessity. We refuse the necessary, undivided, executive power to the official who is the choice of the whole people; it is seized by some one else, self-appointed, or selected in secret by a few. In framing of late years our forms of Government, both State and local, we have been led astray from the best model of government we have before us, namely the Constitution of the United States, under which "the Administration" is the one man who has been chosen President by the people. He has around him advisers of his own choosing, but no equals. The executive branch of an effective government must always consist of a single head, and to that head must be accountable the officers intrusted with every part of the actual administration of the Government.

If you will not have this regulated one man power in your Government you will have it coming in irregularly and in other shape. What we should hold in dread is the irresponsible one man power which may come in as the result of bad government among us, caused by the weakening of authority and the confusion of responsibility. No good substitute can be found for a single executive power. Substitutes have been tried. The two Kings of Sparta and the Consuls of Rome were failures. The distribution of administrative power among independent heads of departments at Albany is a failure. The distribution of power and responsibility in this City among boards and commissions has been a most costly failure. To promote good administration under any form of government, one man must, subject to the laws, be, for the time being, chief, whether he be called Prime Minister, President, Governor, or Mayor. And a single executive has this advantage, that, independent of the restraints of law, there are certain moral restraints which act upon an individual but are ineffective when you seek to apply them to bodies of men, or to a number of men among whom responsibility is divided. Conscience is not a thing which can safely be distributed, a little bit for the separate use of each individual member of a numerous body.

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

It being my purpose to make my remarks especially applicable to State and local Governments, I shall say only a few words about the Federal Government. They are necessary to what shall follow. Any reference to "State rights" by name startles men nowadays. It need not. The attempt to preserve what men called State rights by the violent hands of secession has been made and failed; it has demonstrated in fact that nothing can endanger such rights more than such a movement. But the upholding of the proper independence and integrity of State Governments by argument before the people, in debate over legislation in Congress, in discussion before the courts, need startle no one. Thinkers to-day should give much thought to the consideration of a danger which many of us fear is hanging over us, the centralization of power at Washington, to a degree involving the destruction of the independent local Governments, on which our whole system is founded. We are bound to struggle for the preservation of independence in our State and local Governments, for the existence of the several States with their State Governments unimpaired is necessary to the life of the Republic. The tendency of the Federal Government since the war of the rebellion to extend its power over many things heretofore regulated by each State for itself is manifest. It is not safe for the Federal Government to volunteer to take upon itself additional labor. It is a common weakness of human nature that instead of concentrating our efforts on doing well those things which are set down for us to do, we busy ourselves with imagining how much better we could perform the duties assigned to others. Behind this advancing centralization, upon which so many look complacently, is hidden the spirit of tyranny, ever at war with the freedom of States and the liberty of man. It walks disguised, and can be defied and defeated only by eternal vigilance.

IMPROPER CENTRALIZATION OF POWER.

Let me illustrate more clearly, by reference to the history of our own State, the difference between the proper concentration and the improper centralization of power. The framers of the Constitution of 1846, under which with a few changes we still carry on what we call a State Government, were eager for decentralization of power. They effected nothing of consequence in this direction; they did not secure the rights of cities, counties, towns, or villages in matters of local concern, nor abridge the powers of the State Government over local interests. The chief thing they did was to break apart and disconnect the machinery whereby the State Government is carried on. They provided for a Governor whose duty is said to be to execute the laws, and to administer the affairs of the State; and then gave to the people, not to the Governor, the power to select all the subordinate officers on whom he must rely in their several departments for performing the actual details of administration. They made the mistake of supposing this was decentralization. They have made other people believe it was, also. This system did not take away any of the powers of the central or State Government. It retained in the central Government at Albany the administrative power, but lodged it in and divided it among some half dozen independent heads of departments, each absolute in his own sphere. It created, in fact, half a dozen Governors instead of one, each of them charged with executing a portion of the laws, free from control by the others, or by the nominal head of the State. The Controller is Governor, so far as the finances are concerned. The Attorney-General is Governor, as to the law business of the State. The three State Prison Inspectors together make up another Governor for the prisons. The administration of the canals is intrusted to a board made up of several independently elected heads of departments, the Governor of the State being carefully left out. The so called "Governor," who was in old time often spoken of as "the person administering the government of the State," is charged by the words of the Constitution "to take care that the laws are faithfully executed," and at the same time is deprived of all power to select the agents through whom they are to be executed. He is ordered to govern the State, while the power to govern is taken away from him. Every one would see, to say the least of it, the absurdity of such an administration at Washington. Suppose all the Secretaries and the Attorney General elected by the people independently of the President, at different times and by different parties, we should have eight or ten Presidents instead of one. A hard-money head President, perhaps, and a soft-money Secretary of the Treasury; a peaceably disposed Secretary of State, who would like to keep us out of war with foreign powers, and a warlike Secretary of the Navy, who would like to plunge us into one; the Secretary of War might be undecided, and hesitate between the two, and the Attorney General would be overwhelmed with calls for all sorts of opinions; while the Chief Magistrate himself would sit in dumb show, in the White House, wondering what else he was made for. From an administration so selected for the Federal Government we could expect nothing but confusion and ruin. It is just as absurd to expect good government in this State, or in this City, until you conform with the experience of ages, and establish a single and united executive power. On this executive power the Legislature and the Judiciary are the proper and sufficient restraints; and because they are restraints upon it I would have the Judiciary, as well as the Legislature, chosen independently of it. I am not opposed to the election of the Judges of our higher courts by the people. I favor it. You may elect now and then a bad Judge, but as a class those chosen will be, as they hitherto have been, fearless, able, independent men. The elective system is not the only one which has produced Judges who have dishonored the bench. History abounds in illustrations—our own brief history affords some.

NEED OF A STRONG SINGLE EXECUTIVE.

I hold that in a scheme of city government, there is more than in any other the need of a strong and thoroughly responsible single executive; for the same reason that when a body of men are confined within the narrow limits of a ship in mid-ocean, the government thereof must of necessity be administered by one man, prompt to make his will felt, and to whom prompt obedience must be rendered, and who knows that he alone will be held responsible for disaster. We can less afford here than in a community more dispersed to dispense with concentrated responsibility. Have, therefore, no plurality of boards. Have, therefore, no provision in the charter requiring the consent of the Common Council to the Mayor's appointment of heads of departments; that only opens the way for dictation by the Council or for bargains. This is not the way to get good men, nor to fix the ultimate responsibility for maladministration upon the people's chosen prime minister. Let the head of every department should be a single one—no boards or commissions—and so the responsibility to the Mayor will be concentrated, as is his to the people. What we need is not a complex system, but one that is simple and direct; all through which runs one sound principle. Such is the principle of the immense business of the greatest merchant of New-York—one man at the head of every branch of it, and every one of these responsible to him, the head of all. It seems strange that men cannot see a truth so plain, to wit, that this principle which they instinctively apply to their private business must be applied also in the public service, or we cannot hope for good results. And yet in 1873, seventy citizens men of this City, most of them familiar with, and successful in business, submitted a charter to the Legislature, which in every essential particular violated this sound business principle, and scattered and dispersed responsibility to a greater degree than any previous instrument had ever done. The charter was so grotesque that members of the Legislature who voted for it protested—some openly and some privately—that they acted under a sort of duress; they thus endeavored to throw the responsibility of the evil consequences which they foresaw upon the shoulders of the committee of citizens who were led to indorse the measure.

It will be objected that the experience of large cities under Mayors does not warrant our trusting in them so much power. Let me ask, does the experience of these same cities under Mayors without power prove that system to be a better one? The latter has been tried; it has always failed. The other has never been tried at all. It will be objected that the system will give to the Mayor too much patronage. It will give much the worse in the distribution of patronage makes enemies as well as friends. No man in America ever undertook to build up a personal party or perpetuate personal power by means of it and succeeded. Would you rather have patronage in the hands of boards in whose secret councils it is parceled out? Is it not better to submit to the minor peril of an executive with too great patronage than to accept the greater one of a powerless executive? But you say, if you give the Mayor so much power how are we to restrain him from abusing it? I answer first, you will have the restraint of the Mayor's conscientiousness that for all maladministration he is accountable; that on him will be concentrated the criticism of your powerful press; that his will be the shame before public opinion. Second, give power to the Governor to remove the Mayor on charges, making public his reasons therefor. Such a power over Sheriffs and District Attorneys has long been held by the Governor. It has rarely been exerted, and there is little danger of its ever being abused. This is not centralization. The Governor acts judicially. I do not favor his approval being required to the removal of subordinate city officials. That is centralization. That brings the Governor in to meddle with the actual administration of city affairs.

SUGGESTIONS FOR MUNICIPAL REFORM.

Make the Mayor Commander in Chief of the Police in the same manner as the Governor is of the National Guard of the State. Let the Mayor appoint a Secretary of Police, who shall bear to him and the force the same relation the Adjutant General does to the Governor and the National Guard. Let him put in actual command of the force a Superintendent, to hold office for a term long enough to enable him to perfect organization and discipline; and have provision for his prompt suspension for misconduct, and for his removal after trial by a proper tribunal. Organize the whole force generally, except as to arming it, upon the military principles of the State National Guard. You can dispense with your Board of Commissioners. The present members of the force would remain during good behavior, so that there will be no danger of its being filled up with reference to party or personal interests. I have no fear that a Police force thus organized could ever be used by any man for personal or party ends. The National Guard is the most purely non-partisan body of men in this State, and any officer who attempted to make it otherwise would be driven out of the organization by the universal condemnation of his comrades. There remains for consideration only what is called the legislative branch of the City Government. It is rather a business body for regulating the use and management of the corporate property, a Municipal Board of Directors. It comes nearest to a Legislature when it levies the taxes for local purposes. Two branches of the Common Council are useless; one is sufficient. Let each ward have one representative. One will be probably more carefully selected than three or more. Add to these not more than five, to be chosen by the City at large upon a general ticket, at the same time and for the same term as the Mayor. Their influence, as representing the whole people in a body of men chosen by the several wards, might be beneficial, and if they be few in number, public attention will be in a degree concentrated upon their selection as upon the Mayor. Now, as to the exertion of the taxing power by the local Government: Require the Mayor, whose own appointee would be Controller, to submit to the Common Council his budget of expenses, with full details, and an explanation of why the money is needed; then give to the Common Council the power to reduce, but not to increase, any item. There is no necessity that the Common Council should have the power to originate appropriations or to give to the administration more money than it asks for. A separation of the municipal from the general elections would be wise. This takes place now in the towns throughout the State are held in the Spring. It is a mistake to suppose, as some do, that the attention of the people cannot be aroused at a municipal election, held separately. The statistics show that during the many years when the City elections were held in the Spring, the vote for Mayor was as large and sometimes larger than that cast in the following Fall for State officers. Holding a municipal election in December, a month or less after the general election in November, as was the practice for some years, was a great mistake. That marked the election for City officers as a secondary affair; whereas it ought to be the one whose home interests are exclusively involved, at least, as important as any. Moreover, the municipal election in December would be more or less controlled by the political combinations of November. One word in regard to incurring debt, that insidious form of fastening taxation upon the people. I feel that the power to do so should be limited in some way. Nevertheless it is very difficult to decide upon the precise limit of indebtedness. A city in constant process of development and of unlimited credit might at times suffer under restraints that were too rigid, and a time of public calamity might impose the necessity of relief by speedy borrowing. Whether the vote of tax-payers, so called, should be taken on every proposition to incur a debt; whether a limitation of the indebtedness to a fixed percentage upon the valuation of the total assessed property should be imposed; whether the whole subject should not be left to the discretion of the Common Council, with a power of absolute veto in the Mayor, are questions upon which much can be said pro and con.

I thank you for your patient attention. I do not presume that I have taught you anything. If I have succeeded by any suggestions in exciting more active thought, I am content. I am not pleading for any one-man power in Government. I am pleading merely for the effective execution of the power and will of the people by their one chosen Executive, subject to the restraints of the Legislature, the Judiciary, and the law; without which confusion ensues, carelessness creeps in, and responsibility becomes unsettled. Our forefathers did not invent a Government out of their own imaginations. They knew that for centuries their ancestors in Europe had been struggling after responsible government, for the principle that power and accountability to the people go together, and upon that knowledge they built.

BERMUDA DEFENSES.

BERMUDA, Feb. 3.—It is said that a vote of £10,000 will be asked for at the next session of the Imperial Parliament for the defensive works of the naval anchorage of Bermuda. The works, when completed, will have cost £250,000.

FORTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION—Feb. 7.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Chair laid before the Senate a memorial of the New-York Board of Trade demonstrating the inexpediency of attempting the resumption of specie payments before the requisite conditions are ripe for it. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

THE UNION PACIFIC SINKING FUND.

The Chair also laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury in response to the Senate resolution of Jan. 26, inclosing communications from Sidney Dillon, President of the Union Pacific Railroad, and C. P. Huntington, Vice President of the Central Pacific Railroad Company, in regard to the creation of a sinking fund for the payment of amounts due the Government by said companies.

Mr. WEST moved that the communication be printed and laid on the table, and it was so ordered. He gave notice that at an early day he would call it up and submit some remarks in regard to the pecuniary and other relations existing between the Government and Pacific Railroads.

Mr. SHERMAN entered a motion to refer the communication to the Committee on Finance. He said he had no objection to the matter being printed and laid on the table now, that the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. West] might submit his remarks.

Mr. WEST gave notice that he would move to have the matter referred to the Committee on Railroads.

EQUALIZATION OF NAVAL OFFICERS' PENSIONS.

Mr. HAMILTON, of Texas, from the Committee on Pensions, reported a substitute for the Senate bill equalizing the pensions of certain officers of the Navy. Put on the calendar.

THE PAYMENT OF THE ALABAMA JUDGMENTS.

Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, from the Judiciary Committee, reported, with verbal amendments, the House bill providing for the payment of judgments rendered under section 11 of chapter 459 of the Laws of the Forty-third Congress, in regard to awards made by the Court of Alabama Commissioners, and asked for its immediate consideration. He said the object of the bill was to provide that nothing in the act recently passed, extending the duration of the Alabama Court until July 22, 1876, should operate to keep claimants whose claims were allowed prior to Jan. 22 out of their money. Had not the law extending the time of the court been passed early in the session the parties interested in cases already adjudicated would have received their awards after Jan. 22, at which time it was provided the court should expire under the old law.

Mr. SARGENT, of California, said this bill provided for four per cent. interest on such judgments. He believed the rate of interest should be six per cent. There was no doubt that the fund would be exhausted before the court should have passed into judgment and been settled, only about one-half the fund would be absorbed. He therefore moved to strike out four per cent. and insert six per cent.

Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, said he had no doubt the Senator from California [Mr. Sargent] was in favor of this bill, but his interposing a matter of more which would lead to delay. His amendment would open a pretty large payment, and it could be attached to some other bill in regard to the Alabama Court, as other bills were before the Senate in reference to it.

Mr. SARGENT said this was the proper bill to attach it to, as it provided for the payment of claimants.

Mr. EDMUNDS opposed the amendment, and argued that there should be no change in the interest until after the termination of the court.

Mr. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, said it had been some time since he examined the proceedings of the Geneva Commission, but it seemed to him that that tribunal allowed six per cent. interest from the time the loss was incurred until the award was made at Geneva. The same rate of interest should be allowed to claimants from the time of the actual loss to the time of the Geneva award as allowed by the Commission.

Mr. STEVENSON, of Kentucky, said he thought the safest plan would be to defer all payments of interest on the bill after the court had adjudicated. The fund might not be sufficient to pay interest to every one, and if certain claimants should be paid four per cent. interest now, and the money should not hold out to pay the others, they might call upon the Government to make good the deficiency.

After some further discussion, Mr. SARGENT withdrew his amendment, but gave notice that he would offer it hereafter to some other bill in relation to the Alabama Court.

The verbal amendments reported by the Judiciary committee were agreed to, and the bill passed.

THE CENTENNIAL APPROPRIATION.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, gave notice that to-morrow at 1 o'clock he would ask the Senate to proceed with the consideration of the bill appropriating $1,500,000 to aid the Centennial Exhibition, and he hoped that whatever the Senate proposed to do it would do then.

THE LOUISIANA SENATORSHIP.

The resolution of Mr. MORTON for the admission of P. B. S. Pinchback as Senator from Louisiana for six years from March 4, 1873, came up as unfinished business, the pending question being on the amendment of Mr. Edmunds to insert the word "not" before the word "admitted."

Mr. THURMAN, of Ohio, proceeded to reply to Mr. Morton's argument on Mr. Pinchback had a prima facie case, and contended that if such were the fact the Senate should have admitted him when he first appeared. In conclusion he said he did not see how changing circumstances in Louisiana could change legal opinions. Were Senators to listen to an appeal to choose between a Republican and a Democrat, as if they were sitting as electors? If Senators would stand by their conscience, which induced them to vote for the Carpenter bill, he would promise them that there would be a result which would be in accordance with the dignity of the Senate.

Mr. CHRISTIANCY, of Michigan, said when the case was up last March he expressed his views, and he did not wish to take back or change one word he said then. He could now see where he stood then. He thought the question had been fairly stated by the Senator from Ohio, [Mr. Thurman.] In his [Mr. Christiancy's] view the party policy had nothing to do with the case. If he allowed his party feeling to influence him in this matter, he would feel that he was deserving of eternal infamy. If in the Senate when a vote should be taken he would vote against the admission of Pinchback.

Mr. HOWE, of Wisconsin, said he had noticed here to-day, as always since this great question arose, there was a claim on the part of those who opposed Mr. Pinchback that they represented good morals, fair dealing, and honest politics, and, as a consequence, those who voted for the right to seat Pinchback to a seat in the Senate misrepresented all these things. When he should vote for the admission of Pinchback he would vote according to the honest conviction of his conscience, and would do so believing that there was not a man on the floor holding a seat who had a better right to it than Mr. Pinchback had to his. He [Mr. Howe] hoped all the Senate and all the world would be assured, as he knew all the angels in Heaven were assured, that he would give his vote through no personal consideration. He argued that Mr. Pinchback never had anything but a prima facie case. In regard to his signature to the report of the committee in 1873, he said he had signed that report; but he had done penance for it since, as far as a Senator could do penance for a mistaken vote. The question of who was the Governor of Louisiana, or who constituted the Legislature of Louisiana, in 1872, had not been decided to his satisfaction by "Judge" Durell or any other Judge. There was only one tribunal in the world which could determine who was or who was not Governor of Louisiana, and that was the people of Louisiana. So far as the imperfect evidence before Congress could guide one to a result, and upon examination of that evidence, he had been profoundly convinced of two things, first, when the ballot-boxes closed in Louisiana on the night of Nov. 4, 1872, a majority of the ballots resting in them were cast by Republicans and for Republican candidates; second, that during that day many thousands of Republican voters, with Republican votes in their hands, had, by force, been driven away. The certificate of Mr. Pinchback's election as Senator was signed by Kellogg as Governor, and that made a prima facie case. He argued that Kellogg was Governor de jure, if a majority of the people in Louisiana voted for him in 1872, and when were added to the votes given for him those who voted for him, but were prevented, there was no doubt about his being Governor de jure. The Legislature which elected Pinkhback had made laws from the time he was elected.

Pending discussion the Senate went into executive session, and at 5:30 adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The SPEAKER proceeded to call the States and Territories for bills, and a large number were introduced and referred.

COIN, LEGAL TENDER, AND RESUMPTION.

Mr. KASSON, of Iowa, moved to suspend the rules, so that the House may proceed to vote separately on the two following resolutions:

Resolved, That the constitutional authority of Congress to coin money and to regulate the value thereof, and of foreign coin, does not include the authority to issue the paper of the Government as money, and, in the judgment of the House, the Constitution nowhere confers on Congress the power to issue in time of peace the promises or obligations of the Government as a legal tender in payment of debts.

Resolved, That any legislation touching the legal-tender currency of the Government should keep steadily in view the resumption of specie payment, and should tend to enhance the value of that currency for the redemption of which the faith of the United States has been pledged to its citizens.

Mr. COX, of New-York—That is a very important subject; we ought to have a word to say about it.

The SPEAKER—The gentleman from Iowa proposes that it be divided.

Mr. COX—I hope it will be referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

Mr. PAGE, of California—Oh, no.

Mr. FORT, of Illinois—The House ought to have the opinion of the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. KASSON—I must object to debate.

Mr. COX—If I understand the proposition, it is not a vote on the merits of the question, but only a vote on the motion to suspend the rules.

Mr. KASSON—If the vote be in the negative, it will be a rejection of the resolution.

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania—Not a bit of it. The rules were not suspended—yeas 96, nays 140—and the resolutions were not before the House.

Mr. COX suggested to Mr. Kasson to have the resolutions referred either to the Committee of Ways and Means or to the Banking Committee.

Mr. KASSON said he would be very glad to have them so referred.

The matter went over without further action.

THE DISTRICT THREE SIXTY-FIVE BONDS.

Mr. BUCKNER, of Missouri, from the Judiciary Committee, reported back the Senate amendments to the bill to pay the interest on the three sixty-five bonds of the District of Columbia, with a recommendation that they be non-concurred in, and that they be referred to a conference committee. He made that motion, and it was agreed to. The Speaker appointed Messrs. Buckner, Cate of Wisconsin, and Willard of Michigan, conferees on the part of the House.

COMMITTEE CHANGES.

Mr. MCCRARY, of Iowa, was, at his own request, excused from further service on the Committee for the District of Columbia, and Mr. Crapo, of Massachusetts, was appointed in his place.

Mr. HOAR, of Massachusetts, was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Judiciary Committee caused by the death of Mr. Starkweather, of Connecticut, and was excused from further service on the Committee on Elections, and Mr. Townsend, of New-York, was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Committee on Elections.

THE EMMA MINE.

Mr. PIERCE, of Massachusetts, offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to ascertain and report what action, if any, has been taken by the Executive Department of the Government in relation to the connection of the United States Minister at the Court of St. James with the directory of the so-called Emma Mine, and with the prosecution of the Madeado Claim. Adopted.

COST OF THE NEW-YORK POST OFFICE BUILDING.

Mr. METCALFE, of New-York, offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Expenditures on the Public Buildings, to inquire as to the amount expended in the construction and completion of the New-York Post Office. Adopted.

THE CONSULAR AND DIPLOMATIC BILL.

The House then, at 3 o'clock P. M., went into Committee of the Whole (Mr. Hoskins, of New-York, in the chair) on the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill.

Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, said he sympathized with the Committee on Appropriations in its laudable endeavors to cut down expenses. There were several places where the expenses might be reduced—such as fortifications, public buildings, &c. But he had been a little surprised to find the reductions proposed in this bill; because every intelligent man would admit that the foreign service of the Government, both at home and abroad, had been for years the most economically conducted, the most honestly managed, and the most carefully kept up of any department of the Government. He alluded to the fact that from 1803 to 1855 there had been no change in the salaries of Ministers and Consuls abroad. At that time salaries of the missions cost in the way of salary, outfit, and infit as high as $23,000 a year. In 1855 Congress had considered the whole subject with great care, and had fixed the rates of Consulate and diplomatic salaries abroad, making the salaries of the first-class missions $17,500 a year. That had been considered a fair compensation, considering the cost of living at that time, and although within the last twenty years the cost of living had doubled everywhere, and in some countries more than doubled, it was now proposed in this bill to cut down these salaries twenty per cent. If the object was to fix it so that only rich men could hold these offices, and to shut out poor men, let Congress do it with its eyes open. He did not care very much about many of the missions that were proposed to be abolished. Perhaps some of them could be abolished without damage, but he should regard as a great calamity the abolition of the South American missions. In no part of the world had the United States so much right and so great a duty to be chief in the councils of international affairs as in South America on one hand, and in Japan and China on the other, and yet, by a strange sort of fatuity on the part of the Committee on Appropriations, it was in these countries that our foreign relations were to be chiefly crippled. He would rather have five or six European missions blotted out than those of the South American Republics, our neighbors and friends. He besought the gentlemen to strike somewhere else than at the South American Republics.

Mr. RANDALL—We strike all around.

Mr. GARFIELD passed on to criticise the abolition of twenty-one regular Consulates and other consular offices, making forty-four in all; the chief ground for so doing being that there was not enough money received in fees from these Consulates to justify the payment of consular salaries, and he contrasted with this parsimony the liberality of England, who, receiving but $6,000 in fees from her Consulates at the same ports, paid out to her Consuls there $81,250 a year. It was the same in regard to China and Japan. The total outlay of the United States for the Japanese Mission and Consulates was $23,498 over and above receipts, while that of England for the same service was $92,497. The total outlay of the United States in China, over and above receipts, was $39,000, while that of Great Britain was $285,697. He begged the House not to cripple and utterly ruin the young and growing commerce that should bind Asia to the United States. He criticised the details of the bill in other matters, particularly the reduction by one-half of the allowances for the expense of sending back United States sailors from foreign ports and showed that the effect of the reduced appropriation would be, not a saving, for the expenses would have to be paid, but a sending to protest the drafts drawn by Consuls.

At the close of Mr. Garfield's speech the committee rose.

THE PAYMENT OF ALABAMA CLAIMS.

On motion of Mr. METCALFE, of New-York, the Senate amendments to the House bill, providing for the payment of judgments rendered by the Court of Alabama Claims, were concurred in.

The House then, at 5 o'clock, adjourned.

THE BROOKLYN ALDERMEN.

The Brooklyn Board of Aldermen met yesterday at 3 P. M. Alderman Ray, of the Thirteenth Ward, offered a petition from citizens interested, to urge upon Congressman Bliss to forward the establishment of a market in the Wallabout. The memorial was referred to the Standing Committee on Docks and Markets. The Law Committee, to which was referred the resolution submitted at the last meeting of the board by Alderman Burnett, in reference to the power of the board to summon witnesses and send for persons and papers, reported that they had examined the laws regarding the question, and were of opinion that the board has full power to summon, not only officials and ex-officials of the City, but any citizen of the State. The report was adopted. The Committee on Police and Excise, to whom was referred the proposition to issue bonds to the amount of $80,500 to pay the expenses of seventy-five new policemen, reported a resolution against increasing the debt, which was adopted. Alderman Ray, of the Thirteenth Ward, offered a resolution to appoint Henry B. Williams, Engineer of the City Hall, in place of Timothy Ward. The vote was taken by ballot, and Mr. Williams was declared elected, by a vote of 14 to 10. A resolution was adopted favoring the bill introduced into the Legislature to release the Grand Street Ferry. A resolution was adopted tendering the thanks of the board to the officers and detectives of the Police Department, and the officers and patrolmen of the Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Precincts, for the prompt arrest of the murderer of William W. Simmons.

A POLICE CAPTAIN ON TRIAL.

Capt. Henry V. Steers, commanding the Twenty-ninth Precinct, was placed on trial yesterday before President Smith and Commissioners Voorhis and Wheeler charged with having allowed a "panel" house to exist at No. 139 West Twenty-fifth street, and the evidence adduced by the prosecution showed that a number of panel thieves hired apartments on the second floor of a large four-story double tenement-house, which has accommodations for sixteen families. Capt. Steers produced as witnesses for the defense the janitress and the landlord of the premises, who both testified that the woman who hired the apartments appeared to be an industrious, hard-working woman, and they had never received any complaints about these people from any of the other tenants of the house. Patrolmen Stack and Kelly, of the Twenty-ninth Precinct, who were on post on Twenty-fifth street during the period it is alleged the panel house was running, testified that they never saw anything suspicious about the house, nor had they ever received any complaint of any person having been robbed there. The defendant then submitted a written statement in his defense, in which he reviewed the testimony for the prosecution and denied that he had any knowledge that the house referred to was being used for improper purposes. The case was then closed and referred to the board for decision.

A SUIT ON LOTTERY TICKETS.

A novel suit was brought to trial before Judge Joseph F. Daly and a jury, in Part I. of the Court of Common Pleas, yesterday, in which Adam Roediger appears as the plaintiff, and the defendants are Zachariah Ephraim Simmons, William L. Simmons, Chester Simmons, Josiah Howard Adams, J. H. Morris, Jacob Bausch, John Simmons, and Charles H. Murray. The action is brought under section 32, article 4, title 8, chapter 20, Part I., of the Revised Statutes, permitting a party to recover as a penalty twice the amount he has invested in lottery tickets. The plaintiff claims to have purchased tickets for the Paducah and Kentucky lottery from the defendants to the amount of $11,420 44, and brings suit for $22,840 88. The defense set up is that the defendants do not own the lottery and did not sell the policies. The plaintiff was on the stand yesterday, explaining to the jury the manner in which the business was conducted.

ROBBERIES.

Among a number of robberies reported to Superintendent Walling yesterday, the following were the most important: While J. A. S. Reid, the General Agent for the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, was riding on a Grand street car on Sunday night, he was robbed of a Russian leather pocket-book, containing personal passes on the principal railroads in the United States and Canada. Cornelius Roosevelt, of No. 40 West Eighteenth street, was robbed of a gold watch valued at $250 while riding on an Eighth avenue car on Sunday. The apartments of Etta Katzman, on the second floor of No. 240 East Seventy-eighth street, were entered by thieves on Sunday, and robbed of wearing apparel valued at $107. The rooms of Jacob B. Cornell, at No. 102 East Twenty-sixth street, were entered by sneak thieves on Sunday morning, and $125 75 in greenbacks were carried off.

LAW REPORTS.

DOLAN AGAIN SENTENCED.

THE PRISONER SENTENCED TO BE HANGED ON MARCH 24—HE PLEADS HIS INNOCENCE OF THE MURDER OF MR. NOE.

John Dolan, convicted of the munder of James H. Noe, was brought for resentence before Judge Barrett, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday, in accordance with the recent decision of the Supreme Court, General Term, in the case. The court-room was very much crowded, in spite of the efforts made to prevent such an occurrence. General interest was directed toward the condemned man, who sat surrounded by his relatives, with whom he conversed at intervals. He appeared to be in good health, and hopeful of the result in his case. After the prisoner had been called to the bar, Assistant District Attorney Rollins, who represented the people, asked Judge Barrett to fix a day for the execution. The prisoner's counsel immediately moved for a new trial on two separate grounds. One of these was that the verdict in the case was against the weight of the evidence, and the other was because of the alleged newly-discovered evidence. Each of these being denied by Judge Barrett, the counsel moved for an arrest of judgment. He read an affidavit from the County Clerk, which averred that there was no judgment in the case on file in his office. The counsel urged that the court had no jurisdiction, inasmuch as it was a new Oyer and Terminer, without power to sentence Dolan. The former Oyer and Terminer in which Dolan was sentenced, it was claimed, had passed out of existence, and the purpose for which the prisoner was now brought before the new Court of Oyer and Terminer was inconsistent with the action of the other. This point was overruled, as was also a motion to have the court not pass sentence, on the ground that the remittitur from the General Term did not state what sentence was affirmed and the nature of the offense. The counsel then asked the court to fix as late a day as possible, in order that Dolan might receive the benefit of the decision of the Court of Appeals as to the legality of the jury which convicted him. Judge Barrett then addressed the prisoner in a few remarks, and sentenced him to be hanged on March 24. After the passing of the sentence Dolan arose and addressing Judge Barrett, said: "Your Honor, I stand for the second time to be sentenced to death for a crime which, God knows, I never committed. I was convicted through that watch, and God knows it came innocently into my hands. I never lifted my hand against any man, and God knows I ought not to be convicted for something I never did. I never shed human blood." At the close of these remarks Dolan burst into tears. His commitment was immediately made out, and he was remanded to prison.

REE SENTENCED.

FIVE YEARS IN STATE PRISON THE PUNISHMENT INFLICTED—A STAY OF PROCEEDINGS GRANTED AND SUBSEQUENTLY SET ASIDE.

William J. Ree, convicted of uttering forged paper of the firm of L. M. Bates & Co., was called up for sentence in the Court of General Sessions, yesterday. Assistant District Attorney Lyon, in moving for sentence, said he considered it his duty to bring to the knowledge of the court the character of the prisoner. From the almost innumerable communications sent him by reputable citizens who had been swindled, he had learned that Ree was one of the most expert and dangerous swindlers who had ever operated in this City. His swindles were innumerable and their magnitude unparalleled; yet, owing to his singular adroitness, he had all along managed to prevent his guilt being fastened on him. He was the terror of the Stock Exchange, and had made his evil influence felt by many of the bankers, brokers, and commercial men in this City. It would take him (the District Attorney,) half the day to detail the many swindles in which the prisoner had either acted as principal or go-between for forgers and confidence-men, and he would not weary the court with their recital, but simply ask that the utmost penalty of the law be inflicted. Col. Spencer protested against the injurious charges made by the District Attorney, asserting that his client had lost half a million dollars in Wall street, and that the ears of the prosecuting officer had been poisoned against the prisoner by his client's financial enemies. Mr. Lyon replied that the disreputable character of Ree was well known, and after the verdict had been rendered, four well-known counterfeiters, some of whom had served terms in the State Prison, came up to him, shook hands, and bade him good-bye, while the court-room, during the course of the trial, was filled with his friends and sympathizers, who would not speak to the Police. Judge Gildersleeve said: "William J. Ree, you have been convicted of forgery in the third degree. The sentence of the Court is that you be confined in State Prison for the period of five years." Immediately after sentence had been pronounced on Ree, Col. Spencer went before Judge Donohue and made a motion for a stay of proceedings on writ of error. Judge Donohue granted the motion, but subsequently set aside the stay, for the purpose of having the matter argued more fully on Thursday.

LIBEL SUIT AGAINST THE TIMES.

SECOND TRIAL OF THE SUIT BROUGHT BY THE COUNT JOANNES—TESTIMONY IN REGARD TO THE CHARACTER OF THE PLAINTIFF.

The second trial of the suit of George, the Count Joannes, against Louis J. Jennings and George Jones, respectively editor and publisher of THE TIMES, was begun before Judge Donohue and a jury in Supreme Court, Circuit, Part II., yesterday. The plaintiff acted as his own counsel in the case, and opened with an address in which he alluded to his alleged high standing abroad and in this country. He submitted a portion of the article complained of, which appeared in THE TIMES of Jan. 27, 1871, under the caption

vs. The World Mutual Insurance Company, appellant; argued by J. M. Van Cott of counsel for appellant, and submitted for respondent. No. 166. Bruce vs. Kelley; passed. No. 172. Adam D. Wheelock, Assignee, &c., et al., respondents, vs. Henry M. Lee, appellant; argued by George W. Van Slyck of counsel for appellant, and submitted for respondents. No. 174.—In re petition of Funcke. Passed. No. 175.—Anthony Pollock, respondent vs. John S. Schultze, Receiver, &c., appellant. Passed. No. 180.—The Board of Supervisors of Kings County, respondents vs. Anthony Walter, appellant. Passed. No. 180½.—Rose Conlin, respondent vs. Mary A. Cantrell, appellant. Argued by E. P. Morange, of counsel for appellant, and by J. Hildreth for respondent.

The following is the Court of Appeals day calendar for Tuesday Feb. 8: Nos. 177, 183, 184, 187, 188, 196, 197, and 198.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

By Judge Lawrence.

Dunmore vs. King.—Order granted and settled.

By Judge Donohue.

Brodhurst vs. Bell. (No. 1.) and *Same vs. Same,* (No. 2.)—Motions granted, with costs.

Yeat vs. Neal.—Report confirmed, and judgment of divorce granted to plaintiff.

Hazlehurst vs. Hazlehurst.—Motion dismissed, without costs, and with leave to renew upon proof of due service of Judge Tappan's order on the defendant personally, and also on the motion papers to punish for contempt being served upon said defendant in person. The affidavit in opposition is no defense, but the defendant must be strictly regular before imprisoning plaintiff.

Ex parte.—The writ was not served until Thursday, the 20th of January. The property was delivered on the 25th; at all events, that is the date of the affidavits of the two keepers; I will allow six full days, at $3 a day to each man; in all, $36 50 for serving the writ. Bill taxed at $36 50.

Cameron et al. ys. Kesley.—Points may be returned to defendant's attorneys on their calling for same.

Sackett et al. Mott.—Memorandum.

Langdon vs. Grey et al.—Injunction refused; $10 costs of motion to successful party to abide event; memorandum.

Langdon vs. Gray, (No. 1.)—Same decision.

Matter of Kingsbridge Road.—All the objections to the original report have been met by this supplemental report, and the petitioners are now entitled to their order.

Rogers vs. Wall.—I think the plaintiffs are entitled to an order for the appointment of a Receiver (who may bring such actions as he may be advised and as the court may authorize) upon filing a bond with two sureties in $1,000 each.

Angel vs. Vanderbeet.—Memorandum.

Bolare vs. Bleecker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company et al., and Harris vs. Same.—Receiver may be joined as a party defendant, and may interpose an answer simply averring his appointment by the court, and submitting his rights to the protection of the court, but not setting up anything in hostility to the plaintiffs.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Speir.

Scott vs. Equitable Life Assurance Society et al.—The defendant must have judgment. Findings must be submitted on notice. Opinion.

Bowler vs. Congdon.—Case settled.

By Judge Sedgwick.

Putnam et al. vs. Van Riper et al.—I do not think the defense is in bad faith. Motion denied.

Bernard vs. Bossud et al.—There may be cases not under section 192 in which an action in the nature of an action of interpleader may lie. This application should be denied.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM.

By Judges Curtis, Sedgwick, and Van Vorst.

Oelbrom et al. vs. Hanover National Bank.—Order affirmed with costs to defendant to abide event of suit. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

McFarlane vs. Spear.—Order affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Van Vorst.

Olinger vs. De Wolf.—Order affirmed, with $10 costs and disbursements to be taxed. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Cook et al. vs. Moore.—Judgment and order affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Hamilton et al. vs. Second Avenue Railroad Company.—Judgment and order affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Cochran vs. Goswold.—Judgment reversed, with costs to appellant, to abide event. Order of reference vacated, new trial ordered. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Irwin et al., &c., vs. Chambers.—Order affirmed, with $10 costs, and disbursements to be taxed. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Fisher vs. Hope Mutual Life Insurance Company.—Leave granted to defendant to appeal to the Court of Appeals under chapter 392, Laws of 1874, on giving security as offered, and as is required by section 333, Code of Procedure, and execution of judgment. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Pierce vs. Brown.—Order affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Brown vs. Brown.—Judgment affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Mitchell et al. vs. Vermont Copper Mining Company.—Judgment affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Nelson vs. Sun Mutual Insurance Company.—Judgment affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Farrell, &c. vs. Kennedy.—Judgment reversed, new trial ordered, with costs to abide event. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Hoffman vs. Cantrell.—Order affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Dry Dock Railroad Company.—Plaintiff's exceptions overruled, report confirmed, verdict set aside, new trial granted, with costs to abide event. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Hedges vs. Waterhouse.—Order granting new trial affirmed, with costs. Opinion by Judge Sedgwick.

Kemp vs. Sherman et al.—Judgment and order reversed, a new trial ordered, with costs to abide event. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Whitman vs. Connor, &c.—Judgment ordered for plaintiff upon the verdict, with costs. Opinion by Judge Curtis.

Carpenter vs. Brand.—Motion denied, with $10 costs. For curiam.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART I.

By Judge Monell.

McPherson vs. McReynolds.—Motion for new trial upon the minutes denied with costs.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM.

By Chief Justice Daly, and Justices Robinson, Larremore, and J. H. Daly.

Feeney vs. Murphy.—Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Hennessy vs. The Mayor, &c.—Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Judge Larremore.

Ferguson et al. vs. Ferguson.—Judgment in favor of defendants should be reversed, both as to matters of fact and of law, and a new trial ordered, with costs to the appellant in the latter event, unless defendants consent to reduce their counter-claim for Mary Ann's quarter rent, $75, due May 1, Aug. 1 and Nov. 1, 1875, and consents to judgment in favor of plaintiff for the claim less that amount, with full costs. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Carpenter vs. Schlesinger.—Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Judge Larremore.

Mayor, &c. vs. Lozier.—Motion denied, with $10 costs. Opinion by Judge Larremore.

Barrow vs. Howell.—Motion denied, with $10 costs. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Order of Grosvenor vs. Anderson vs. Kelly, Welsh vs. Welsh, Heath vs. Russell, Drumstadter vs. Kilkus. Opinion by Judge Robinson and Larremore.

Hammond vs. Post.—Motion denied, with $10 costs. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Keeney vs. Gulick.—Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Donnelly vs. Mott.—Judgment reversed. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Callahan vs. The Mayor, &c.—Motion granted. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Bolton vs. Bolton.—Reargument ordered, with $10 costs to abide event of the decision on appeal. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

Johnson vs. Mayor, &c.—Exceptions overruled; judgment ordered for a dismissal of complaint. Opinion by Judge Larremore.

Lloyd vs. Knickerbocker Ice Company.—Judgment not to be modified. Opinion by Judge Robinson.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Robinson.

Parrish vs. Miller et al.—Judgment for plaintiff on demurrer by default.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Laurence, J.

No. 40—Russell, &c., vs. Gallney.

No. 43—Fellows Asso. vs. Sun Printing Association.
No. 50—Morrison vs. Bleecker Street Railroad Co.
No. 52—Ashton et al. vs. Veuna Schmitt et al.
No. 53—King vs. Dunphy.
No. 54—Hall vs. Matthies et al.
No. 56—Continental National Bank vs. Slack.
No. 71—L. G. Mat. Company vs. Deese, A. & G. Co.
No. 72—Stuller vs. Jenkyn et al.
No. 74—Ver vs. Carroll.
No. 75—Maxwell vs. Cary et al.
No. 76—Quinlan vs. Whit et al.
No. 78—Tredwell vs. Pomeroy et al.
No. 82—Bolger vs. Smith et al.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART II.

Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART III.

Held by Westbrook, J.

January Term continued.

No. 56—Hazlehurst vs. Hazlehurst.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART II.

Held by Donohue, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Nos.
9706—Casselear et al., &c., vs. Kalbfleisch.
6303—Hallgarten vs. Eckert.
1028—Baldwin et al. vs. Briggs.
1454—Hager vs. Williamson.
178—Hauck vs. Craighead et al.
2204½—O'Brien vs. Browning.
1284—Jessup vs. Smith et al.
1514—Biggs et al. vs. Strews.
1176—Lawrence vs. Cecil.
8441—Sackersdorff vs. The Mayor, &c.
225—Maguire vs. Tardy et al.
999—Germania Bank vs. Schofer et al.
2338—
982—Mathes vs. Brennan, &c.
402½—Clark vs. Cockerill et al.
4294—Haskin vs. The Mayor, &c.
4298—Same vs. Same.
4087—Hatfield et al. vs. The Mayor, &c.
1697 vs. ——
1818— vs. ——
944—Wilmont vs. Masserole.
11729½—Claflin et al. vs. Wehminger.
336—Carr vs. Brooks et al.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART III.

Held by Larremore, J.

Nos.
1784—Brennan vs. The Mayor, &c.
9077—Seaver, &c., vs. The Mayor, &c.
680—Globe Woolen Co. vs. La Salle S. M. Co.
917—Bailey, &c., vs. Spofford, &c.
1907½—York vs. Conner, &c.
357—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Waldridge.
513—Whitter vs. White et al.
1186—Ritter vs. Gazzan.
1035—First Nat. Bank vs. Wylie et al.
679—Mathes vs. Brennan.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART I.

Held by Sweir and Sanford, JJ.

Nos.
14—Lawrence vs. Cabot et al.
15—Goodman vs. Strobeim.
17—Wright vs. Equitable Life Assurance Co.
18—M. Avenue R. Church vs. Church in O. St.
19—Bell, &c., vs. Sprague, &c.
20—Brague vs. Lord et al.
21—Cohen vs. Platt et al.
22—Wilkerson et al. vs. Brennan, &c.
23—Davis, &c., vs. Third Avenue R. R. Co.
24—Brague vs. Lord et al.
25—Southerland vs. N. Y. Mutual et al.
27—Vermilye vs. Dissy.
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31—Harrison vs. Lowrie.

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761—Gentil vs. Brennan, &c.
1875—Goldberg, &c., vs. The Mayor, &c.
297—Brodie vs. O'Brien, &c.
735—Rittinester et al. vs. A. P. Dispatch Co.
835—Metcalf, &c., vs. N. Y. Plate Glass Co.
407—Finuth vs. Malloy.
839—Fleischer vs. Supper et al.
791—Smith vs. Smith.
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331—Travers vs. O'Brien, &c.
787—Sun P. & P. Ass'n vs. Tribune Association
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883—Bingham vs. Conklin.
885—Banks vs. Borbe.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.

Held by Curtis, J.

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862—N. Y. and R. Granite Co. vs. Nolan et al.
726—Commania Bank vs. Kilian.
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1326—Bonle, &c., vs. H. R. R. & F. R. R. Co.
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Held by Joseph F. Daly, J.

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1191—Draper vs. Rinaldo.
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2217—Phelps vs. King, &c.
1096½—Dunn vs. Meserole.
996—Moller et al. vs. Tuska.
1978—O'Gorman vs. Kalbank.
1924—Wessler vs. Murphy.
2140—Agate vs. Edgar.
1924—Weed vs. Burt.
2307—P. and S. Mfg. Co. vs. Wheeler, &c.
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1111—Delisle vs. Zust.
1157—Cheesman, &c., vs. Johnston.
1133—Wilhelm vs. Brennan, &c.
2184—Ward vs. Norton, &c.
254—Barstell vs. Kelly, &c.
1098—Allen vs. James.
1075—Barnum vs. The Mayor, &c.
2049—Mechanics' and Tra' ders' Bank vs. The Mayor, &c.
2291—Stuart, Jr., vs. Solomon.
2288—Oakley vs. Fetterech.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART II.

Held by Van Brunt, J.

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1275—Bauer vs. Lorillard et al.
874½—Hugenent vs. Nat. Bank of Southwest.
1412—Frothingham vs. Pinney.
1415—Rinck vs. Goggenheimer.
2173—Wood vs. The Mayor, &c.
2174—Same vs. Same.
728—Taylor vs. B. St. & F. F. R. R. Co.
1447—Smith vs. Farmenter.
1525—Cafferata vs. Conner, &c.
1526—Leonard vs. Dalzell.
1527—Kidd et al. vs. Prov. & N. Y.
1528—Campbell vs. Farley.
1529—Tribune Assoc. vs. Hoyo.
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1532—Waixel et al. versus Metzger.
1534—Gross vs. Bouton et al.
1535—The People, &c., vs. Sampson et al.

COMMON PLEAS—EQUITY TERM.

Held by Robinson, J.

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Held by Goepp, J.

Nos.
5893—Mauufac'rs' & Mer's' Bank vs. Shapter.
5774—Cowen vs. Kasprowicer.
2855—Van Beuren et al. vs. Deering.
1206—Bierbaum vs. Scharper et al.
6283—Tilman et al vs. Stevenson.
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MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.

Held by Alker, J.

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3783—Teague vs. Slattery.
2841—McGrea vs. Slattery.
6243—Fleischauer vs. Reis.
6244—Same vs. Same.
6245—Same vs. Same.
6873—Chatham Nat. Bank vs. Fitzpatrick.
6426—Collmann et al. vs. Merther.

MARINE COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Held by Van Hoesen, J.

Nos.
6140—Beahm et al. vs. Tiedemann.
6496—Loew et al. vs. Rosenthal.
6406—Weinberg vs. Frank et al.
4614—Tuska vs. McCarron.
4108—Broesnell et al. vs. Hubbell.
2971—Vallot et al. vs. Mottu.
6229—Pierson vs. Price.
5388—White et al. vs. Speidel.
5354—Becker vs. Meyer, &c.
5368—Hersch vs. Tyroler.
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5995—Heuser vs. Pawe
6734—Same vs. Same.
6655—Neyman vs. Wirz et al.
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6494—Dawsizer vs. Wellington et al.
6301—Dewsizer vs. Fogerty et al.
6313—Zeiss vs. Berhuntjer.
6087—Van Ingen et al. vs. Pixley.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held by Hackett, Recorder.

Ann McNally, robbery.
Terrence McKenna and John Grant, robbery.
Frank Rafferty, burglary.
James Casey and Henry Gibson, burglary.
John Buckley, burglary.
Walter McNeil, burglary.
John McQuade, burglary.
Kittie Lavergne, grand larceny.
Jane McGum, grand larceny.
Henriette Mead, grand larceny.
Michael Carney, grand larceny.
Annie Mack, grand larceny.
John Seamiah, forgery.
John Cochran, Morris Fitzgerald, John White, Matthew Manning, Peter Hagan, James Fitzgerald, and William Watson, cruelty to animals.
John Gallary, cruelty to animals.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—FEB. 7.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

300	Western Union	77	
100	do	76⅞	
1000	do	76⅞	
1800	do	76⅞	
1100	do	76⅞	
1840	do	76⅞	
600	do	76⅞	
10	do	76⅞	
600	do	76⅞	
1100	do	76⅞	
1800	do	76⅞	
600	do	76⅞	
100	do	76⅞	
100	do	76⅞	
100	do	76⅞	
1000	Pacific Mail	35	
500	do	35	
400	do	34⅞	
100	do	34⅞	
1500	do	34⅞	
100	do	34⅞	
100	do	34⅞	
200	do	34⅞	
40	Erie Railway	16¾	
100	do	16¾	
200	do	16⅞	
100	do	16⅞	
100	North-western	67½	
200	do	67½	
100	do	67½	
100	do	67½	
100	North-west. Pref.	82½	

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 AND 11:30 A. M.

$1,500	U. S. 5s, R. '81	117⅜	
20,000	do	117⅜	
80,000	do	117⅜	

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—12:30 P. M.

$35,000	D. of C. 3.65s. '81	71¼	
51,000	do	71¼	
1,000	Louis. & N. C.	90	
1,000	St. L. C. C. G. R.	90½	
8,000	C. P. C. & O. R. R.	99	
25,000	W. U. T. C. 1900	98¾	
700	Lake Shore	66⅝	
100	West. Union	77¼	
1500	do	77¼	
78	N. Y. C. & Hudson	113⅞	
10	do	113⅞	
100	Rock Island	103⅛	

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—1 P. M.

$35,000	U. S. 5-20 C.	117⅜	
10,000	do	117⅜	
40,000	U. S. 5s, R. '81	117⅜	

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$1,000	N. Y. S. 7s B. L. r. 104	104	
8,000	Tenn. 6s, N. S.	44⅝	
10,000	M. & S. P. C. & P.	85	
15,000	do	85⅛	
2,000	C. & N. W. C. & L.	90⅝	
10,000	do	90⅝	
1,000	H. & S. J. 8s, C.	83½	
1,000	P. F. & M. 1st.	85	
1,000	D., M. & T. 1st.	100¼	
1,000	do	100¼	
25,000	Un. Pac. 1st	103½	
5,000	Han. 1st 7s, C.	117¾	
3,000	do	117¾	
3,000	Cen. Pac. G. B.	106¼	
7,000	P. F. 1st. S. F. B.	94	
1,000	Cleve. & P. 4th	103	
10,000	W. U. T. C. 1900	98⅝	
2,000	U. P. R. & W.	98½	
60	Del. & Hud. Canal	120	
100	Quicksilver Pf.	39½	
100	Erie Railway	16¾	
1500	W. U. Tel.	80⅝	
100	do	77¼	
100	do	77¼	
1100	do	77¼	
50	do	77¼	
2200	do	77¼	
500	do	77¼	
100	do	77¼	
15	do	77¼	
200	do	77¼	
2100	do	77¼	
500	do	77¼	
200	do	77¼	
100	do	77¼	
108	Adams Ex.	96	
200	American Ex.	67	
80	U. S. Express	66	
70	do	67	
100	do	67	
50	do	68	
600	Pacific Mail	35¼	
400	do	35¼	
500	do	35¼	
1100	do	35¼	
500	do	35¼	
200	do	35¼	
200	do	77¼	
200	do	77¼	
1300	do	77¼	
600	do	77¼	
300	do	77¼	
3500	do	77¼	
900	do	77¼	
400	do	77¼	
10	Amer. Express	67½	
100	do	67½	
100	do	59¾	
20	do	60	
200	Wells-Fargo Ex.	85	
100	U. S. Express	68¼	
10	do	69½	
100	do	69	
200	Pacific Mail	35¼	
500	do	35¼	
600	do	35¼	
100	do	35¼	
900	do	35¼	
100	Mich. Central	61	
200	N. Y. C. & Hudson	113⅞	
300	do	113⅞	
100	do	113⅞	
200	do	113⅞	
100	do	113⅞	
200	do	113⅞	
69	do	113⅞	
1100	do	113⅞	
100	do	113⅞	
800	Erie Railway	17¼	
200	do	17¼	
200	Toledo & Wabash	6⅝	
25	do	6⅝	
100	Lake Shore	66⅝	
500	do	66⅝	
200	do	66⅝	
300	do	66⅝	
200	do	66⅝	
500	do	66⅝	
500	do	66⅝	
100	do	66⅝	
100	do	66⅝	
100

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NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, FEB. 8, 1876.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—JOHN GARTH—Mr. Lester Wallack, Mr. John Gilbert, Miss Ada Dyas.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.—PIQUE—Mr. Charles Fisher, Mr. D. H. Harkins, Miss Fanny Davenport.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—ROSE MICHEL—Mr. C. R. Thorne, Jr., John Parselle, Miss Rose Eytinge.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—JULIUS CÆSAR—Mr. Lawrence Barrett, Mr. F. C. Bangs, Mr. E. L. Davenport.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—SEVENTH REGIMENT RECEPTION—Testimonial to C. S. Grafulla.

BROOKLYN THEATRE.—JANE EYRE—Miss Charlotte Thompson, Miss Ida Vernon, Mr. Frederic Robinson.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE—CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and evening.

COLOSSEUM.—GRAND SPECTACLE DIORAMA of the Prussian Siege of Paris. Afternoon and evening.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—VAUDEVILLE AND VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.—BURLESQUE, SONGS, and NEGRO COMICALITIES—Birch, Wambold, Backus.

TONY PASTOR'S NEW THEATRE.—NOVELTY AND VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT—Tony Pastor.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN.—EXHIBITION OF AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PAINTERS IN WATER COLORS.

PARISIAN VARIETIES.—VAUDEVILLE AND NOVELTY ENTERTAINMENT.

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A Congressional committee is now to inquire into the transactions which have connected Minister SCHENCK'S name so unfortunately with the Emma Mine. The State Department is understood to have correspondence in its possession which proves that beyond allowing his name to be used as a Director, Gen. SCHENCK is free from blame in these transactions—but public opinion is undoubtedly setting strongly against Gen. SCHENCK, and it is universally admitted that he ought never to have allowed his office to be compromised by the attempt to foist worthless shares on a foreign market. He may not have known them to be worthless, but he ought not to have bartered his name and influence away under any circumstances. Unless an official investigation can place the matter in a very different light from that in which it stands now, it would be better for Gen. SCHENCK to anticipate its decision by resigning his post, and returning home to defend his reputation.

Mr. JOHN JAY has written several letters to the *Herald* in reference to the approaching Exhibition at Philadelphia. That is to say, the Centennial is nominally the subject of the letters, but Mr. JAY travels very much further afield, and in a long letter published yesterday, he gives a pungent review of the scandals connected with the American Department at the Vienna Exposition, at the time Gen. VAN BUREN had charge of it. This review seems—if we may judge from several angry letters already forwarded to us on the subject—to have given no little offense to VAN BUREN'S friends, but probably that will not surprise or disconcert Mr. JAY. So far, his letter is intelligible enough, but when Mr. JAY goes on to recommend that all the crowned heads of Europe should be solemnly invited to the Philadelphia Exhibition, we can hardly believe that he is in earnest. There must be some satire intended in the passage which suggests that "our foreign guests might forget, amid the American scenes to which they would be introduced, the game of plunder" which went on "under the flag of the American Commission to Vienna." This disillusion could scarcely be hoped for in the days of Pacific Mail investigations and whisky-fraud trials. Mr. JAY'S recommendations for the treatment of the "crowned heads"—four or five private houses being taken for them, all communicating with each other, through which the Emperors and Kings might wander, with or without their crowns on, and join in a quiet game at poker—these recommendations, we say, can never have been offered seriously. We are half inclined to suspect that they are only intended as a thin cover for the real purpose of Mr. JAY'S letter, which is to rub a little brine into the State Department and the Administration for appointing Gen. VAN BUREN to an official position after the Vienna scandals.

The treatment to which Mr. JAY proposes to subject his inoffensive royal party proves that he must be joking. They are to be taken to the White House to dinner, and then dragged off on excursions to various places of interest—especially to the Patent Office. A cook is to be provided for their use, and a "perfect manager," and it is quite clear that so many Kings and Emperors brought together under one roof would need some one to manage them. There must be a couple of four-in-hands always in readiness for them, and when their visits to the Patent Office have given them a good appetite, they are to be regaled with "novelties in the way of oysters, terrapin, fish, game, and fruit to which they had been strangers." Do these wretched Kings never see fruit or fish or game in their own benighted lands? They are to be whisked off to the Adirondacks, Niagara, Chicago, and the Rocky Mountains, "with perhaps a buffalo hunt on the Plains, a talk with the Indians, and a passing call at Salt Lake City." The whole thing is to cost, say, a million of dollars. Now, if all this is meant seriously, we hardly know what to say to Mr. JAY; but unless he makes a formal affidavit to the contrary, we shall persist in believing that he is only carrying on a rather elaborate jest. His plan of adding glory to the Centennial beats even Mr. JOHN BIGELOW'S, which has hitherto been justly regarded as the most crazy scheme ever submitted to an intelligent people.

Some forty thousand dollars have already been subscribed by the members of the Seventh Regiment toward the construction fund of their new armory. This is a very large amount, considering the hard times, and the personal sacrifices which its active members are required to make continuously, to secure the efficiency of the regiment. The veterans and exempt members of the regiment number about two thousand; and as many of them are men of wealth, while all are equally interested with the active members in the property of the regiment, their subscriptions ought at least to double the "regimental subscription." Banks, insurance and trust companies, and other wealthy citizens and business men generally, will probably be found ready to swell the subscription list. Without reflecting on the efficiency of other regiments, the fact will be generally conceded that in times of local disturbance, it is the Seventh Regiment which is first thought of to protect property and preserve the public peace.

It certainly does seem too bad that the Recorder should be obliged to complain year after year of the utter lack of decent accommodation for Grand Juries in his court. Even the ordinary business of the court, important as it is, has to be carried on in a dirty hole, where Judge, juries, and witnesses are half killed by poisoned air, and where the public are jammed together worse than they are in a street-car on a wet night. Is it nobody's business to attend to this very pressing grievance?

Mexico is once more seriously threatened by a revolution. The Presidential election occurs next Winter, and the present incumbent, LERDO DE TEJADA, is a candidate for re-election. Gen. PORFIRIO DIAZ, who, as Chief Justice or President of the Supreme Court, was really Vice President of the Republic, has entered the field against LERDO. It is significantly remarked that the whereabouts of DIAZ are unknown, but that the election of LERDO "means war." Another malcontent is MARQUEZ, who, as one of the betrayers of MAXIMILIAN, has an unenviable reputation in Mexico. This man represents the Church party, who oppose LERDO'S Administration on account of the laws of his Administration which separate Church from State, make marriage a civil contract, and deprive religious institutions of the right to hold property. MARQUEZ proposes to lead a revolution against the new candidate provided his party show any force; and it is suggested that he may unite with the adherents of DIAZ, who have no special grievance except that their leader was defeated by LERDO in the Presidential canvass of 1872. Altogether, the political outlook in Mexico is somewhat stormy.

The Post Office Department has never had a more efficient and active officer than Mr. GEORGE S. BANGS, the Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service. In retiring from a position in which he has labored so faithfully, Mr. BANGS will carry with him the good wishes of thousands who only know him by name. The postal car system of the United States owes its origin to Col. ARMSTRONG. Mr. BANGS succeeded that able administrator, and developed the system which began under his predecessor, with a single postal-car line of 140 miles long, till it attained its present dimensions of a daily postal-car service over 40,000 miles of railroad, besides a service of 170,000 miles in route agent cars. In his farewell report to the Postmaster General, published in THE TIMES of yesterday, Mr. BANGS dwells with justifiable pride on his crowning achievement of the Fast Mail train between New-York and Chicago. He is unquestionably correct in his statement that "there is no mail train in the world equal to it," and he has successfully shown that its splendid results have been accomplished at a comparatively insignificant cost. It is to be hoped that the cheese-paring economy to which the Democratic House of Representatives has devoted itself will not be allowed to mar the work which Mr. BANGS has accomplished after years of patient and well-directed labor.

THE FINANCIAL ISSUE NEXT SUMMER.

It is interesting to watch the present attitude of the two great parties of the country with reference to the financial question, which every business man knows is the most important that can enter into the next canvass. The Republicans are definitely committed to resumption of specie payments in 1879, and to the measures necessary to that end. This committal is not a formal one merely. It is embodied in the law of 1875, which the Republican Party placed on the statute book, and which it is bound to carry out in spirit as well as in letter. Every important platform of the past year has been constructed with reference to this law. The campaign in Ohio and Pennsylvania was made distinctly on that basis. And what is most important, the sentiment of the party, and of all portions of the people from which the party can hope to gather strength, is frankly in favor of the act. As Senator SHERMAN said in his speeches last Fall before the people of Ohio, that law contains the policy of the Republican Party in its simplest, completest, and most authoritative form.

The Democratic Party, on the other hand, is as distinctly committed to the repeal of the law of 1875. In every way in which the Republicans have sustained the principle and policy of the act, the Democrats have opposed them. They tried to prevent the passage of the act. They have been trying ever since to secure its repeal. They are hostile to it, some of them because it is a law for resumption of specie payments, and all of them because it is a Republican law. It is true that a portion of the Democrats affect to desire a stronger and more efficient law, but they know that they never can get one from their party majority in the House, and they know, too, that when it comes to a question of party policy, they will yield sooner than will the inflationists.

There is no reason to suppose that the positions of the two parties relative to this great question will radically change before the opening of the Presidential canvass in June. On the contrary, each is likely to be strengthened. The Republicans have steadily grown firmer in their advocacy of resumption since the passage of the act of 1875, and the Democrats have as steadily gone in the other direction. The passage of that act was a decisive point in the course of the Republicans. It marked the substantial union of the party in favor of distinct and practical measures toward resumption—measures that should have immediate effect, that should turn the current of commercial calculations in that direction, and that should put an end to the inflation heresy in the Republican Party. The same moment was scarcely less decisive for the Democrats. As soon as the Republicans had united in favor of resumption, a good many of the Democratic leaders, fancying that the time had come to divide the Republicans, began to try to establish inflation as the policy of their party. How well they succeeded in the important States where they made the attempt we all remember. This, at least, they did: they consolidated the Republicans, and gave to specie payments the prestige of a victorious Republican policy. We have to thank them for that.

But it would be a great error to suppose that they are ready to abandon inflation. On the contrary, they cannot do so if they would. The masses of their followers thoroughly believe in it, especially where the Democrats are strongest, and where its representatives in the national convention will have the greatest influence. The South will come up to that convention substantially a unit for paper money. The schemes which the Southern Democrats have brought forward so boldly, and which they are pressing so pertinaciously, depend on paper money. The Southern Pacific Railroad cannot be built on the Government guarantee, if the Government has made up its mind to devote all its energies to the supreme task of preparing to redeem its legal-tender notes. The refunding of the cotton tax, the rebuilding of the Mississippi levees—these projects, and the hundred others like them, which are being nursed at Washington, cannot be carried out by a Treasury that is being got ready for resumption. The Southern Democrats see this plainly enough, and it will not be an easy task to make them accept even a candidate who is non-committal on this subject, while a man like THURMAN or BAYARD would be hopelessly offensive to them. As for the West, though a portion of it is ready for resumption, in the States which the Democrats must carry in order to succeed in next Fall's elections the party is rampant in favor of paper money. Though prophecy is not a safe amusement with reference to politics, we think it may safely be assumed that the financial issue is likely to be the controlling one in the approaching canvass, and that on that issue the Republicans will sustain a return to sound currency, while the Democrats will oppose it.

THE SIX MILLION SUIT.

The trial of the civil suit for the recovery of six millions of dollars from WILLIAM M. TWEED has been opened at last. It is about six years since the greater part of the money was abstracted from the Treasury, it is over four years and a half since the system of plunder of which this formed a part was exposed by THE TIMES, and rather less than that interval has elapsed since suits were first brought in the name of the people of the State to recover the money, the right to which is at length being tried upon its merits. Though this claim finds its origin in the proceedings of the Board of Audit constituted under the County tax levy of 1870, the great stroke of plunder which it represents was only the natural result of the events of years marked by the growth of political degeneracy and official corruption. The robbery effected under the resolution of the Board of Audit of 1870 was the heritage of thirteen years of jobbery practiced by the elective Board of Supervisors of infamous memory. That, in its turn, could not have existed but for the degradation of public life, and the prostitution of official responsibility, which had been insidiously spreading for a long time prior to 1857.

The protracted and weary struggle for the millions of public money stolen by the members of the Ring has a very obvious lesson for the generation which has almost forgotten the methods by which TWEED and his associates rose from the lowest arena of ward politics to be the masters of this City, and the dictators of Democratic politics in this State. That lesson is the familiar one, to watch well the beginnings of evil. It was only by slow degrees that TWEED intrenched himself in a position from which he could issue his orders to Judges, legislators, and prosecuting officers, and from which it seemed, six years ago, that there was no power strong enough to dislodge him. His power for plunder was built up by successive legislative provisions, whose importance was only discovered after they had served the purposes of their authors. One of the earliest levers of fraud used by the Ring was the act of 1863, under which the Controller received the authority to satisfy judgments obtained against the City by the issue of short bonds. This opened the door for a mass of collusive suits, in which judgment was allowed to be taken by default or by reason of inadequate defense, on condition that certain officials should participate in the spoil. Then came the act of 1869, which extended the term of these bonds to twenty years, and thus allowed this branch of plunder to pass unnoticed by being added to the unreported aggregate of the permanent debt. Then followed the famous fourth section of the County TAX Levy of 1870, which constituted the Mayor, Controller, and President of the Board of Supervisors a Board of Audit to dispose of the outstanding liabilities which the newly-abolished elective Supervisors had left behind them. The magnitude of the fraud which was then meditated was skillfully veiled under the provision that the amounts found due by this board were to be raised by the issue of revenue bonds payable from the taxation of the following year.

The beginning of 1871 was a critical period in the history of the Ring. The persistent attacks of THE TIMES had rendered its members uneasy and watchful. People were beginning to demand investigation into the acts of the men who set law at defiance by refusing to the tax-payers any trustworthy information as to how their money was being spent. It was necessary to make a great effort to prove what had been confidently asserted by people who ought to have known better, that New-York had the most economical system of government it had ever seen. Hence came the crowning swindle of the two per cent. tax levy, which gave the Ring absolute power to dispose of the proceeds of the year's taxes, but which disarmed suspicion by keeping the amount within a fixed limit. The six millions voted away by the Board of Audit was by law payable out of the taxation of 1871. But the addition to the year's expenditures of so monstrous a charge as that would have opened the eyes of the public to the real state of affairs. The County Consolidated Debt act was passed, to convert the revenue bonds issued for the benefit of the Board of Audit into bonds having fifty years to run, and so the six million robbery was covered up for a little longer.

THE TIMES exposures in July, 1871, let in light upon the accumulated mass of fraud of which that transaction only formed a small part. But they did not at once unloose the hold which TWEED possessed over the legal machinery by which the people could obtain redress. His impeachment was found to be as impossible as his prosecution in the local courts. A deputation from the Committee of Seventy accordingly went to Albany to see what Gov. HOFFMAN could do to remove the great scandal of allowing public officials convicted of the grossest frauds to defy legal prosecution. The fruit of that interview was the formation of the Bureau of Municipal Correction, headed by Mr. O'CONOR, and the opening of the civil suits against the Ring in the name of the people of the State. The varying fortunes of these suits from 1871 to 1875, as they dragged their slow length along from court to court, from Special to General Term, and from that to the Court of Appeals, are matters of recent history. At length, the right of the State to sue for the recovery of the money, while the County officials were able and professedly ready to take advantage of their right of action, was distinctly denied by the court of last resort. Legislation obtained last session invested the people of the State, acting through the Attorney General, with the powers which the Court of Appeals had denied them. And thus it has come about, that after being fought for some four years and a half on demurrers, appeals, and dilatory motions, the question of whether the people of New-York are entitled to recover six millions of dollars from WILLIAM M. TWEED is at length being tried on its merits before a jury of unusually high character and ability. Whatever decision may be reached in the present suit, it will, of course, be subject to successive appeals. But though the chance of recovering the money is a good deal less than it was four years ago, there is some satisfaction in thinking that we have reached the beginning of the end.

A NEW STATE IN EUROPE.

One of the favorite solutions of the "Eastern question," so far as Europe is concerned, is the formation of a South Sclavic State on the Lower Danube. The "South Sclavs" in Turkey and Austria number from ten to twelve millions, and of these not more than seven or eight hundred thousand are Mussulmans, and, perhaps, two and a half millions Roman Catholic. The great majority belong to the same Church, as well as race, and speak dialects of the same tongue. Even the Roman Catholics are heartily attached to the great Sclavonic family, and bitterly opposed to the Turks. The most uncertain element, however, of the future State are the Sclavonians who, for greed or safety, have become converted to Mohammedanism. This population is now often the most bitter against the Christians, and is no doubt harrasing the unfortunate Bosnians at this very time. But its attachment to the Government of the Porte is of a very feeble nature, and any great disaster to Turkey would carry it to the other side. It has become a fashion in the European journals to say that a future Sclavic State in that quarter of Europe would only repeat on a larger scale the confusion and barbarism of the insurgent districts, and that we might as well have perpetual anarchy under the rule of the Porte as under the rule of a Sclavonian Prince. But these critics choose to forget that the experiment has already been tried of a South Sclavic independent community. We mean the Principality of free Servia, with over a million of inhabitants.

The coat of arms of the Princes of this petty State is significant. The motto, "Time and my Right;" the arms, a white cross on a red field: on the cross two dates, 1389, 1815, and between them a drawn sword. The two dates represent the centuries of struggle with the Turkish power, since the old Empire of Servia went down before the great Turkish invasion, and until the modern province was freed by heroic men after a desperate contest. For more than four hundred years, the hardy peasantry and their brave leaders have upheld the cross on bloody fields. Now the only independent relics of the ancient Sclavonic and Christian Empire are Montenegro and Free Servia. All travelers agree that there is more true progress and development of intelligence and substantial liberty in these two communities than anywhere in Eastern Europe, outside of Hungary. Yet Servia has advanced under the very guns of Turkish fortresses, and against all kinds of internal difficulties. The contrast of her territory with the Turkish is striking. If in fifty years there could be such progress where the whole tide of European civilization was turned away, what might be the advance if all these provinces were united and put in connection with Christian and civilized Europe?

Belgrade is the natural outlet for all the railroads in Hungary and Transylvania, and there would soon be a stream of commerce through it from Germany and Northern Europe to the Levant and Asia. The truth is that the Eastern provinces of Europe have never had a fair chance of development. Their history is one of arrested growth. Had the Turkish invasion been thrown back, they would have become equal in prosperity, and perhaps intelligence, to Bohemia or Saxony. They contain great resources, and lie upon the main routes of commerce. Absolutely the same race inhabits Free Servia, Old Servia, Bosnia, Herzegovina, and Montenegro. It would not be a great stretch of power or statesmanship to reunite these populations under the only successful small Sclavonic State. With them would be naturally allied the Croat-Serbs and the Bulgarians. Leaving out of view the South-Sclavs under Austria, there would still be a population of some nine millions, who are united in race, and whose interests would be to act together.

Such a State would be a perpetual barrier to Turkey, indeed might eventually control Constantinople and the Sea of Marmora. But its formation would meet with two great obstacles: the opposition of Russia, which represents the North Sclavs, and the opposition of Austria, which would dread its influence on the Croats and Slovenes of Hungary and the frontier, and which also covets an outlet by the Danube. It is these manifold interests which make the final settlement of the Eastern question so difficult, if not impossible.

THE EARLY AMERICAN GIANT.

The conduct of the prehistoric races of this continent, in omitting to leave any record which could establish their origin and customs, was extremely thoughtless. They managed such things vastly better in Europe. When the cave-dwellers grew tired of their subterranean existence and decided to die, they had some consideration for those who were to come after them. They selected specimens of the bones of all the animals of the period, and drew portraits of themselves on the handles of their tooth-brushes, and then laid down to die surrounded by these mute witnesses of their fondness for art and animals. Thus, when the British explorer finds a cave-dweller's skeleton, with its accompanying cabinet of curiosities, he is at once enabled to assert that the cave-dwellers were contemporary with bears and tooth-brushes, and has the great satisfaction of knowing that as soon as he can discover the date at which the cave-bear flourished in the British Islands, he will know the date at which the cave-dweller lived. In North America, on the contrary, the earliest residents were sublimely selfish, and cared nothing whatever for the archæological feelings of subsequent generations. When a mound-builder died, he neither collected any extraneous bones, nor took the slightest care of his own. Had he requested his surviving friends to look upon his corpse in the light of an antiquarian corner-stone, and to bury with it a box containing the newspapers and coins of the period, there would be some pleasure in digging him up. Or if he had simply directed that his name and destination should be inexpensively stenciled on one of his largest bones, he could have saved us a great deal of unprofitable discussion as to his real character. But he did nothing of the sort; and in consequence, when we now find his skeleton, it is useless even to the Coroner, and is entirely indistinguishable from the ordinary Indian skeleton.

The public will be unpleasantly reminded of this callous indifference to the future on the part of prehistoric Americans by the recent discovery of three unusually fine skeletons in Kentucky. A Louisville paper asserts that two men lately undertook to explore a cave which they accidentally discovered not far from that city. The entrance to the cave was small, but the explorers soon found themselves in a magnificent apartment, richly furnished with the most expensive and fashionable stalactites. In a corner of this hall stood a large stone family vault, which the two men promptly pried open. In it were found three skeletons, each nearly nine feet in height. The skeletons appear to have somewhat frightened the young men, for, on seeing so extensive a collection of bones, they immediately dropped their torch, and subsequently wandered in darkness for thirty-six hours before they found their way back to daylight and soda-water.

Now, it is evident that these gigantic skeletons belonged to men very different from the men of the present day. A skeleton eight feet and ten inches in height would measure fully nine feet when dressed in even a thin suit of flesh. The tallest nine-foot giant of a traveling circus is rarely more than six feet four inches high in private life and without his boots, and even giants of this quality are scarce and dear. The three genuine nine-foot men of Kentucky must have belonged to a race that is now entirely extinct, and hence it would be a matter of very great interest if we could learn who and what they were.

It would be difficult to excuse the indifference of these giants to our rational curiosity. They could afford to be buried in a gorgeous family vault, and hence could have easily afforded to decorate the vault with a plain and inexpensive door-plate. They could afford to pay the cost of having their heavy bodies carried a long distance into the cave before they were deposited in the vault, and it is reasonably certain that they did not obtain possession of so eligible a burial-place without paying a large price to the local cemetery company. And yet they did not take the trouble to furnish us with the slightest clue to their identity. Not only did they omit to put a door-plate on their vault, but they failed to deposit a visiting card, or a worthless certificate of petroleum stock, or anything whatever bearing the name of either of them, in the tomb. Not so much as a boot or a paper collar, a gilt sleeve-button or a cheap jack-knife, was buried with them. When we contrast this selfish parsimony with the generous forethought of the cave-dweller who died with a bear's skull in one hand, a rhinoceros' horn in the other, and with his pockets stuffed full of engraved tooth-brush handles, merely in order to please remote posterity, we can only blush for the selfish want of public spirit of the early American giant.

Of course, the tale of the two young Kentuckian explorers needs confirmation. They may have made their alleged discovery while in an advanced state of hot whisky, or they may have manufactured their skeletons before finding them, with the view of adding to the attractions of the Centennial Exhibition. Whole panoramas of eccentric skeletons have frequently been seen in Kentucky and elsewhere, by men who have looked too frequently upon the whisky when it is hot and flavored with sugar and lemon-peel; and the story of the Cardiff Giant reminds us that the manufacture of prehistoric men has already been attempted. Still, even if the Early American Giant proves to be fact, we have no reason to hope that we shall ever find out what manner of man he was. It is only too evident that he was as inconsiderate as the Early American Cucumber, which insists upon running over all contiguous vegetable beds, without depositing sufficient cucumbers to atone for its trespass. He died and left no sign, and he deserves our hearty condemnation for his selfish carelessness.

AMUSEMENTS.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

Mr. Brougham's play called "John Garth" was reproduced at Wallack's, yesterday evening, to the expressed gratification of a large audience. The strongly marked traits of the chief personages, the highly dramatic nature of the principal incidents, and the unquestionable skill with which the story is unfolded, counteract the evil effect that would else be produced by the unbroken gloom which pervades the piece, and hold attention to the final scene. The character of *John Garth* is the alpha and the omega of the work, the fire acts of which depict the trials and the triumph of a man whom a wild life, sterling worth, and satanic pride surround with a romantic halo whereof the impressiveness is undeniable. Mr. Wallack fills this rôle upon which we shall not dwell at great length, because the subject has been discussed already in these columns, with exceeding variety, brilliancy, and power. His *John Garth* is rough without being coarse, harsh without being brutal, vigorous without being melodramatic. Were the outbursts of tenderness a little more genuine—or, rather, were they as spontaneous and unartificial as the actor's expression of passion, sarcasm, and hatred—the personation would be a perfect one. As it is, it leaves scarcely anything to be desired, and, at some points, its sway over the spectator is shown with uncommon clearness. Thus it was last night, and, at the termination of the fourth act, the curtain had to be raised twice, and Mr. Wallack had to reappear before the footlights afterward, into the bargain. It is not too much to say, viewing the importance given the central figure by the dramatist and the special prominence conferred upon it in this case, that the piece owes its attractiveness and eloquence solely to Mr. Wallack. This opinion always prevailed to a considerable extent, but it must have been unanimous yesterday, for, aside from the part of *Gregory Derham*, which Mr. Gilbert assumes with his wonted felicity, the representation is not quite on a plane with its predecessors. Mr. A. Fitzgerald, who personated *Paolo Barretti*, although appropriately demoniac in act the fourth, could hardly be expected to efface the recollection of Mr. Fisher, whose sketch of the half insane criminal was full of quaint color, and the ladies—Miss Ada Dyas being *Hester* and Miss Nina Varian *Minnie*—are decidedly feeble. The play is exquisitely set, the landscapes and "interiors" putting nature and art to the blush by their beauty, and completeness and correctness of detail.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.

The management of the Olympic Theatre presented their patrons last evening with the usual comprehensive programme, including almost every description of performance comprised under the general head of "variety." The Carlo Brothers went through their feat termed "the Triple Parterre," with commendable success. Mr. D. L. Morris' Dutch eccentricities provoked general laughter, and Miss Adah Richmond's dashing appearance and graceful rendering of her popular "character songs" were greeted with hearty plaudits. "The Boneless Wonder," Yuma Diva, and the "Chinese Marvel," Ling Look, supplied a curious interlude of contortion and jugglery, while she young riders, Leotard, Harry and Ducrow, with their ponies, were the centre of attraction for the young folks. The entertainment concluded with the Ethiopian musical sketch entitled "Old Times South," with Mr. John Hart in the principal rôle. Among the melodies sung with considerable effect was Stephen C. Foster's, "Massa's in the cold, cold ground."

TWENTY-THIRD STREET THEATRE.

The entertainment at the Twenty-third Street Theatre, last evening, was supplied by the "California Minstrels," a new organization, comprising several minstrel performers well known to the patrons of the late Dan Bryant's troupe. Mr. Johnny Allen, Little Mac, Wm. H. Brockway, and other favorite artists appeared in their various specialties, including songs, clog-dances, comic interludes, &c., all of which were received with abundant applause by a large audience. Among the more successful acts were the "Plantation Sketches" of Messrs. Sandford and Wilson, the "Essence of Old Virginia" by Little Mac, and the sketch "Leave It All to Me" by Messrs. Moran, Brockway, and Sandford. In the concluding piece, called "Schneider," Johnny Allen and Little Mac kept the spectators in continuous merriment.

BROOKLYN THEATRE.

The play of "Jane Eyre" was produced at the Brooklyn Theatre last evening for the first time under the rule of the present management. The piece had a successful run at the Union Square Theatre during the season of 1874-5, and an effort has now been made to secure, as far as possible, the same cast of characters. Miss Charlotte Thompson assumed yesterday the titular rôle, and proved that she had lost none of the fervor with which she formerly delineated the personage of the orphan girl. Mr. Frederic Robinson portrayed the impetuous but kind-hearted *Lord Rochester*, and performed his part in the affecting betrothal scene which terminates the last act with greater care than formerly. Little Laura Thorpe, as the artless *Adela*, was becomingly childlike and graceful, and Miss Ida Vernon as *Mrs. Sarah Reed*, and Mrs. Marie Wilkins as *Mrs. Fairfax*, were not wanting in their respective duties, while Mr. Claude Barroughs and Mr. H. W. Montgomery as the foppish *Frederick Lynn* and the "always snubbed" *Jacob Butteroup*, caused considerable mirth. Judging from the success attending the first representation, the piece will have a longer run than was anticipated.

EAGLE THEATRE.

The managers of the Eagle began the week, last evening, with a very ample change of programme, and with one piece not new to the patrons of the house, but at least conspicuously welcome. This was the burlesque, "Did She Go, or Was She Led Astray," a very bright travesty of the popular play, "Led Astray," so intimately associated with the brilliant successes of the Union Square Theatre. The burlesque is presented with a capital setting, and with some excellent performers in the principal rôles, these including Mr. George K. Fortescue, Mr. G. McDermott, Mr. John Wild, and Miss Florence Newman. Mr. Wild also figured prominently in the general variety performance. He had a congenial part in the opening sketch, "Stratagem," and was again prominent in "Crooked Whisky," a very lively conceit. Dave Reed was also noticeable in this sketch, and his song and dance entertainment was well flavored with fun. Miss Louisa Franklin sang some ballads very prettily, and then the Freeman Sisters furnished a new musical sketch which they call "Ireland and America." It was a very inane affair, but the sisters did much better in another sketch which came before the audience in a purely supplementary and unpretentious guise. "The Dancing Four," which means Messrs. Wild, Kernell, Tooley, and Bradley, diffused much mirth, and Mr. Kernell also merits a good deal of credit for his entertainment coming under the description, "Irish Songs and Sayings." The programme was further benefited by the duets of Mr. and Mrs. Brennan, and by the exceptional skill of Mr. W. Sawyer, who so manipulates a number of glass vessels as to draw from them the sweetest music. "The Ticket-of-Leave Man" is in preparation at the Eagle, and will be presented there next Monday evening.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Keokuk (Iowa) *Gate City* reports that ex-Senator Harlan has been offered the mission to England.

Hon. John B. Hawley, of Illinois, says that he does not desire the Republican nomination for Governor of the State.

Ex-Attorney General Amos T. Akerman spoke for two and a half hours in Atlanta, Ga., Friday night against a constitutional convention.

Mr. George A. Shaw emphatically denies the accusation of having received money from W. W. Brock, either for his vote or his influence as a member of the City Council of Boston last year.

The Boston *Globe* and the *Advertiser* agree in the opinion that the witnesses brought by the Democratic contestant of Congressman Forr, in the Third District of Massachusetts, are unworthy of belief.

Hon. Frederick Mott, President of the Des Moines University, and for four years Circuit Judge, is being pushed for Congress in Iowa. He marched with Sherman to the sea, and is a straight Republican.

Ex-Gov. Noyes believes that the Ohio delegation will go solid for Hayes in the Republican National Convention, and he thinks that State and Indiana will have great influence on the heels of their earlier elections.

The Evansville *Journal* expresses the opinion that the delegation in Congress from Indiana has not been improved by leaving out such men as Tyner, Wilson, Orth, and Cobern, and that it will be a good day for the State when they are returned.

Two Iowa papers say that their first choice for President would be Gen. John A. Logan, but as it is not likely the honor will be given to the West, they ask for William A. Wheeler, of this State, for the first place, and Congressman George W. McCrary, of Iowa, for the second.

The Richmond (Va.) *Whig* appeals to the President to pardon and discharge from prison the fifty-odd Southerners who "now languish in the dungeons of Albany, suffering unjust penalties created by unconstitutional laws." It says further that "these poor Ku-klux prisoners are dying by slow torture, and while mercy pleads for it, justice demands their release and restoration to society and their families."

OBITUARY.

SILAS HORTON STRINGHAM.

The death of Rear Admiral Stringham, at his residence in Brooklyn yesterday morning, is announced. The Admiral had for a long time been suffering from a painful organic disease, which early in December prostrated him upon a bed from which he never more arose. Early in January his physicians pronounced his case improving, but he soon after experienced a relapse, which, after considerable suffering, terminated in his death. This distinguished naval officer was born in Middletown, Orange County, in this State, Nov. 7, 1792, and was consequently in his seventy-eighth year. He was appointed Midshipman June 19, 1812. Immediately upon graduating, Midshipman Stringham was ordered to the frigate President, commanded by Commodore John Rodgers, then lying in Hampton Roads. The first engagement in which the young officer participated was the fight between the President and an English corvette named the Little Belt. This was May 16, 1811. This engagement was one of the causes leading to the war of 1812. Early in 1814 Commodore Decatur was assigned to the command of the President, and young Stringham was transferred to the Guerriere, on board of which he served for one year. He was then ordered to the brig Spark, of the Algerine Squadron, and soon after his arrival on the Mediterranean coast he was commissioned a Lieutenant in the Navy. After convoying two prizes into Algiers Lieut. Stringham was, with his vessel, ordered to join Commodore Bainbridge's squadron, with which he returned to his native land. In 1816 the Spark was ordered back to the Mediterranean and it was during this second cruise that Lieut. Stringham distinguished himself at Gibraltar by his heroic endeavors to rescue the crew of a French ship which had capsized. In 1817 he was transferred to the sloop of war Erie, and thence, in the Autumn of 1818, to the Peacock, which soon afterward returned to the United States. The latter part of 1819 found Stringham

ALBANY.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

A BILL AMENDING THE BROOKLYN CHARTER—THE OPENING OF STREETS AND AVENUES IN NEW-YORK—OBJECTIONS TO THE SAVINGS BANKS BILL.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—A great many seats were vacant this evening when the lower house was called to order, and but very little business was transacted. Mr. Halliday introduced a bill, similar to that presented by Mr. Schoonmaker in the Senate last week, providing for the appointment of a commission to investigate the State Prisons. The same gentleman introduced a resolution calling on the Legislative Committee appointed last Winter to investigate the canals to report within ten days. Mr. Peabody, of New-York, introduced a resolution directing the Committee on Cities to consider the advisability of drafting a charter amendment bill giving the Mayor power to make appointments without the confirmation of the Board of Aldermen. The resolution introduced by Mr. Peabody last week, in relation to the gas companies, was referred to the Committee on Cities. Mr. Talmage, of Kings, introduced a charter amendment bill, amendatory to the four bills already introduced amending the charter of the City of Brooklyn. It prohibits the issue of bonds for local improvements. The commissions are reduced to single heads. The Presidents of the various commissions, the Corporation Counsel, Treasurer, and Register of Arrears of Taxes, shall be voted for at the next general election, and take office at the expiration of the terms of the present incumbents. The compensation for these offices shall be the same as it was previous to June 28, 1873. The aggregate amount of the appropriation for salaries, shall not exceed $200,000 annually. The President of the Board of City Works, the Auditor, and Controller are to constitute a board to open proposals for contracts, and to award them.

A bill will be introduced to-morrow, providing that for the purpose of acquiring title by the Mayor or Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, to the lands lying within the lines of any unopened streets or avenues of the City, between Fifty-ninth street and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, it shall be lawful for any Judge of the Supreme Court of the First District, upon the petition of any interested person, to appoint three Commissioners, as Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, whose duty it shall be to make a just award and assess the adjoining property. After completing the estimates, awards, &c., the Commissioners must, by three weeks' publication in the daily papers, give notice to parties interested in order that objections may be heard. The Commissioners must make their report in thirty days. All proceedings for opening streets and avenues within the district named in the bill, in which maps and surveys are not completed, are discontinued and shall be opened under this act.

The Senate was not in session more than twenty minutes this evening. Senator Booth presented a petition from the New-York Chamber of Commerce, against the passage of the bill which makes the trustees of savings banks personally liable for the debts of said banks. The petition sets forth that if the bill became law, it would result in the almost universal resignation of bank trustees and the withdrawal of a large number of deposits from these institutions. Senator Salkreg offered a resolution requesting the Secretary of State to furnish the Senate with a copy of the proposals issued on the 3d of January last for the Legislative printing, also, a detailed copy of the contract entered into or proposed to be entered into for such printing under such bids.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

THE CANAL AUDITOR—A RESOLUTION OF INQUIRY TO BE INTRODUCED.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—In the opinion of the best lawyers in the Legislature, the office of Canal Auditor of this State became vacant by the resignation of Francis S. Thayer. Pending the question of the official hamed, the Governor had power to suspend an acting Auditor; but when this suspension, by reason of Thayer's resignation, ceased to exist, the power of the Governor was at an end. Gov. Tilden tacitly acknowledged this by nominating to the Senate Mr. George W. Schuyler, whom he had appointed acting Auditor pending Mr. Thayer's suspension, to fill the position made vacant by that gentleman's resignation. This nomination was rejected, and still, by the advice and authority of the Governor, Mr. Schuyler continues to perform the duties of the position of Auditor. In view of these facts Senator Woodin will to-morrow introduce the following:

Whereas, The office of Auditor of the Canal Department became vacant by the resignation of Francis S. Thayer; and

Whereas, His Excellency the Governor has nominated to the Senate George W. Schuyler for the office thus made vacant, which nomination the Senate rejected; and

Whereas, The Senate is informed that, in disregard of this judgment and action of the Senate, the person thus rejected is assuming to act as Auditor; therefore, with a view to such action as will be necessary,

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby respectfully requested to inform this body whether it is his purpose to make any further nomination to the Senate for the office of Auditor of the Canal Department.

Senator Woodin will also introduce the following:

Whereas, Francis S. Thayer resigned the office of Auditor of the Canal Department, by reason whereof a vacancy in said office was created, and,

Whereas, No appointment of Auditor of said department has been made, and said office remains vacant, therefore,

Resolved, That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby requested to inform this body whether, since the resignation of said Thayer, he has paid or authorized the payment of any drafts drawn since said resignation by any person assuming to act as Auditor; and, if so, the number and several amounts thereof, and to whom payable and to whom drawn.

THE STATE ASSESSORS' REPORT.

THE TAXATION OF CORPORATIONS — VIEWS OF MR. GEORGE H. ANDREWS.

The opinion of Mr. George H. Andrews on local and State taxation will have the weight which comes of careful thought and painstaking examination of the subjects he writes upon. The letters of this gentleman on the exemption of church property, recently published in THE TIMES, attracted wide attention. The series of letters which he promises on the report of the State Assessors will doubtless be as extensively read. The first of these, which is subjoined, is in the nature of a preface to those which will follow. One point, however, he discusses at length, viz., the taxation of corporations, as recommended by the State Assessors, and presents some considerations on the matter which will command general attention.

LETTER I.

To Hon. William H. Wickham, Mayor, &c.:

These letters are addressed to you, Sir, as the official representative of the tax-payers of the City of New-York, and they will contain some facts which those tax-payers ought to know.

The annual report of the State Assessors, recently presented to the Legislature, deals at great length with the question of the just proportion of the State tax which should be borne by the tax-payers of this City, commenting in part upon the acts and statements of the Tax Commissioners, and in part upon the acts and statements of the special committee appointed by your Honor to appear before the Board of State Equalization last Autumn. The Tax Commissioners cannot as a board present the views of the special committee, nor can the special committee as a board present the views of the Tax Commissioners. Having been a member of both boards, it seems to devolve upon me as the only person so situated to make some statements and present some facts necessary to a full understanding of the intricate and important matters involved. This explanation appears necessary that I may not be thought obtrusive. These letters, therefore, will not in any sense partake of an official character, but be the expression of the views of a citizen and tax-payer, who has had some opportunities of acquiring information touching the topic in hand.

Controversy affords me no pleasure. Occasions sometimes arise, however, when the utterance of erroneous statements by high officials, with publicity acquired at the expense of the State, may imperatively demand refutation. Then silence is pusillanimous.

HALF-TRUTHS.

The report of the State Assessors is able and adroit in the presentation of half-truths. This is a tolerably safe and therefore favorite method of statement. The half-truth is a fact—so far as it goes; but when supplemented by the remaining and untold half, the character of the statement may be entirely changed. In such cases a mere denial does not suffice—indeed, is not practicable; but the necessity is imposed of looking up the suppressed half, fitting it in place, and so presenting the whole truth in its natural relation and force. It is told of an eccentric preacher of the last generation that from the verse of Scripture, "Let him which is on the house-top not come down to take anything out of his house," he selected the words, "Top not come down," and from this half-truth preached a vigorous discourse upon the vanity of that day, which found expression in an arrangement of the hair known as a "top-knot." There is a good deal of this top-knot form of statement in the report, which it will be my disagreeable but necessary task to point out and supplement by the remaining, but untold, half of the truth.

TAXING CORPORATIONS.

But first, as a more agreeable duty, I will commend the suggestion by the State Assessors that the law be so amended, "as to assess the railroads and other incorporations at the Controller's office." This plan would have great advantages. It would at least secure a uniform method of assessment. But it would utterly fail to produce satisfactory results, unless the law under which corporations are now assessable should be materially changed. Corporations under the present law are liable to be assessed upon the amount of the capital stock actually paid in or secured to be paid in, and upon the amount of surplus earnings, from which surplus earnings must be deducted ten per cent. of the capital, except in the case of "moneyed corporations," from the surplus of which ten per cent. of said surplus only is to be deducted. From the amount of the capital and surplus the law provides for deducting the amount paid for real estate by the corporation, the amount invested in the stocks of other corporations, the amount invested in United States securities, and the amount of investments in real and personal property outside the limits of the State.

Through these exceptions nearly all the capital of corporations now escapes taxation. Take the item of stocks of other corporations. Before the Committee of Ways and Means in 1874 I stated this as a possible case: Suppose parties wish to start a chisel and gouge company with a capital of $900,000. They could start a chisel company with a capital of $100,000 and a gouge company with a capital of $100,000. Each company could buy the stock of the other, and then the return of each for assessment would read:

Capital paid in	$100,000
Less amount invested in stock of other corporations	100,000
Assessable	Nothing

And thus the State be chiseled and gouged out of the whole tax.

Or the whole capital may be invested in United States securities, upon which the necessary funds may be borrowed for carrying on the business. Or, as in the case of most railroads, the whole capital may be invested in real estate.

The attention of the Legislature has been repeatedly called to this condition of things.

In 1871 the Tax Commissioners in their report said:

The evasions have always been numerous and in general, but the precipitation upon the country, and especially upon this financial centre, within a short time, of hundreds of millions of United States bonds bearing a high rate of interest and exempt from taxation—a fact which during the same period local taxation was largely increased by the very causes which required the issue of the non-taxable bonds—at once provided the means and sharpened the wits of those who have an ingrained aversion to paying taxes. With the exception of the special act in reference to the taxation of banks in 1866, it is not a little singular that there has been no legislation to meet the changed condition and relation of things.

Again, in 1873 the report of the Tax Commissioners said:

The system has been so violently disturbed (by the issue of Government securities) that it has ceased to be a system, and become in practice effete. Instead of being a tax upon personal property, it has in effect become a tax upon ignorance and honesty. That is to say, its imposition—a word of very broad significance—is restricted to those who are not informed of the means of evasion, or, knowing the means, are restrained by a nice sense of honor from resorting to them.

In 1874, in a special report, the Tax Commissioners said:

It may well be doubted whether, under existing laws, crumbled as they have been by judicial interpretations, any individual or corporation—the stockholders of the banks excepted—need submit to the imposition of a tax upon personal property when there is a purpose to resort to any of the several methods of avoidance.

In 1874 I had the honor to submit to the Committee of Ways and Means the following recommendations in regard to the taxation of corporations:

First—To amend the law prescribing the method of assessing corporations, so that there should be deducted from the value of their stock the assessed value of the real estate owned by them, instead of deducting the cost of such real estate, as is the practice now. The intention of the Legislature to cause the "assessed value" to be deducted is clearly revealed in section 3, chapter 456, Laws of 1857. The Court of Appeals, however, in the case of the Citizens' Gas-Light Company vs. The Assessors of the City of Brooklyn, decided, substantially, that the Legislature had failed to express its purpose to repeal a former act.

Second—To assess all corporations upon the same principle and in the same manner as banks are now assessed under the provisions of chapter 761, Laws of 1866. The clumsy forms now in use to conform to the requirements of that act, which in 1873 caused 26,059 distinct assessments to be made against individual stockholders, should be superseded by a more simple method. By a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of National Bank vs. The Commonwealth of Kentucky, (9 Wallace, p. 353,) it was decided that shares might be assessed in bulk. Such a modification would effect a great saving of clerical labor.

Third—To assess certain corporate property now exempt, some of which the Legislature certainly designed and aimed to reach, but failed to give full effect to its purpose.

Fourth—To assess the shares of all corporations directly by the State, through some officer of the state, upon the actual value of such shares, after deducting therefrom the assessed value of the real estate owned by such corporations, and to tax such share at the uniform rate of two per cent. From the data to which I have had access I feel justified in estimating the amount of capital which could be at once made subject to assessment, without hardship or injustice to any interest whatsoever, at $350,000,000, which at two per cent., would yield a revenue of $7,000,000 for 1875. In a very short time—short I mean in the life of a State, say in two or three years—this tax would pay the entire sum needed annually for State purposes. Let it be understood that this does not propose in any way to disturb the present mode of assessing the real estate belonging to corporations, or of collecting the tax thereon.

These recommendations were made nearly two years ago. Careful investigation into the general subject, and especially an examination of the Pennsylvania system (under which that great State has prospered wonderfully,) to which I shall hereafter refer more fully, would induce me now to modify these suggestions somewhat as to detail—simplicity and efficiency being the objects desired.

With my present information I would recommend that all corporations in the State be assessed by the State Assessors; that certain of them be taxed upon their capital, as recommended in 1874; and that others, where the capital does not afford a proper measure of value, be taxed upon their gross receipts. This last method has many advantages, and I am inclined to think may be profitably applied, as it entirely avoids the difficult question as to the non-liability of capital to taxation by reason of investments in United States securities—the most available of the present means of evasion.

I propose the State Assessors as the taxing, or rather the assessing officers, because the State Controller should not be overloaded with duties; because questions would arise where the action of more than one mind and judgment would be desirable, and because I shall hereafter propose to relieve the State Assessors from other more difficult and disagreeable duties.

I heartily concur also in the declaration of those gentlemen that it is quite time that a "new departure" be made in matters of taxation. But whither and how? Those questions, I think, I have in part answered according to the best of my humble judgment. The remedy is in a new system, and no subject of greater importance now commends itself to the consideration of the Legislature.

It seems to be proper to say here that during the last four or five years the Tax Commissioners have attempted to hold for taxation many millions of corporate personal property, but their hold upon such property has been loosened by the highest courts, doubtless in strict compliance with the laws as they stand. The result has been an enormous loss to the City for State taxes paid upon assessments declared to be illegal, and for costs of litigation.

GEORGE H. ANDREWS.

MARINE DISASTERS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The signal officer at Kitty Hawk reports the following, dated Feb. 6: The quarter-board of a vessel, with the name "Woye" on it, and the figure-head of a vessel were picked up on the beach this morning. The pieces were very much battered, and evidently belonged to different vessels. This afternoon a large quantity of loose oats was washed ashore. It is thought that a collision occurred between two vessels near this coast last night.

The signal service observer at Cape Hatteras reports the following, dated Feb. 4: The schooner Clara Davidson, Garwood, Master, from South Mills, N. C., to Philadelphia, sunk at Hatteras Inlet on the night of the 3d inst. She is loaded with lumber. The disaster was occasioned by her springing a leak. She had a crew of seven; no passengers. All were saved. Assistance will be procured from Norfolk.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 7.—Capt. Evans, of the bark Sam Shepard, which arrived at this port to-day from Cienfuegos, reports the most severe weather experienced on any voyage for the past sixteen years. On the first instant, at 8 P. M., in latitude 34° 15', longitude 76°, encountered a fearful gale from south-south-west, which lasted eight hours, during which the vessel was "smothered" in heavy seas, filling cabin, galley, and forecastle with water. The schooner Ralph Howes, Portland, for Baltimore, put in here to-day in distress.

ICE CUTTING.

Ice cutting was begun at Lake Mahopac yesterday morning. The ice was found to be thirteen inches thick, and it will be brought at once down the Harlem Railroad and stored in some ice-house near the City.

MOODY AND SANKEY.

THEIR FIRST MEETING IN NEW-YORK

THE HIPPODROME BUILDING CROWDED—AN OVERFLOW MEETING HELD—MR. MOODY MAKES TWO ADDRESSES—A LARGE NUMBER OF METROPOLITAN PREACHERS PRESENT.

At 7 o'clock last evening the sidewalks in Madison avenue, at Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets, were filled to overflowing with an earnest crowd awaiting the opening of the doors of the Hippodrome building. As far away as the Broadway side of Madison square, street boys and peddlers drove a thriving trade in books containing the songs and hymns used by Messrs. Moody and Sankey, and in pictures and a biography of the two preachers, which were sold for trifling sums. As the hour for opening the doors drew nigh the crowd increased, until at a little before 7:30 it was almost impossible to make one's way along the streets. At a side entrance in Twenty-seventh street some five hundred holders of complimentary and clergymen's tickets had been allowed to enter and pass on to the right-hand portion of the platform reserved for clergymen. This was soon filled, and about one hundred took front seats in the middle of the house. The choir meantime had been admitted on the south side of the building, and had filled its part of the platform. The large hall was well lighted, and those already present looked anxiously from their watches to the doors to see the rush which it was expected would quickly fill the hall. At 7:30 the doors were opened, and the crowd came in. The hundred or so of ushers, who were in waiting, each bearing a long rod, worked quickly and hard to guide the multitude to seats, and in some ten minutes the seats on the main floor were all filled. No one was allowed to stand in the aisles, and the most perfect order was preserved by the anxious seekers for good seats. At the door the rush still continued, with no evidence of a diminution of the numbers outside, but the crowd was a polite one, and the policemen and doorkeepers had no difficulty in keeping order. Until 7:55 the people came in, and then, the seats being all filled and the doors closed, the Police outside cleared away the crowds that still waited around in the vain hope of effecting an entrance.

On the platform were a number of well-known clergymen, among whom were Bishop Janes, Rev. Drs. William Adams, Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., Bauvard, Armitage, Taylor, Corbitt, Marling, Hall, Ludlam, Hastings, Tucker, Vail, Mathews, Newell, H. B. Chapin, R. D. Hitchcock, George S. Chambers, D. W. McWilliams, Hoadley, McAllister, and Dowling. Mr. William E. Dodge occupied a prominent position, and Mr. L. V. Thatcher, of Boston, led the singing of the choir before Mr. Sankey arrived.

At 7:45, the house being nearly full, the choir, under direction of L. P. Thatcher, of Boston, sang a few hymns. Messrs. Moody and Sankey entered at a little after 8 o'clock, and quietly took their places, Mr. Sankey at his melodeon and Mr. Moody in the chair placed for him within his railing. Mr. Moody buried his face in his hands for a moment, and then suddenly rising, said: "Let us bow our heads in silent prayer, and ask a blessing on this special service. Let's all pray." Instantly there was a most wonderful silence. Seven thousand people were hushed so that a whisper would have disturbed the quiet. The silent prayer concluded, Mr. Moody said, "Let us rise and sing 'Jesus, lover of my soul.'" The entire congregation joined in the singing, under the lead of the choir. There was a magnetism that compelled everybody to sing, and the volume of the united voices was thrilling. Bishop Janes followed with an earnest prayer, beseeching for special blessings on the opening work, while Mr. Moody knelt, with his face upon the railing. Mr. Sankey then sang his favorite hym, "Hold the Fort," the audience rising and singing with him in the chorus. Mr. Sankey was apparently affected with hoarseness, and his voice, which is generally clear, was very husky on the high notes. The singing concluded, Mr. Moody read a part of the first chapter of First Corinthians, beginning at the seventeenth verse. Finishing the reading, he said, "I'm going to ask Mr. Sankey to sing the Nineteenth Hym, 'Sowing the Seed.'"

MR. MOODY'S ADDRESS.

After this Mr. Moody began his address, speaking as follows: "I want to call your attention to the twenty-seventh verse of that chapter I read, 'For God has chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things that are mighty.' I want also to call your attention to the twenty-ninth verse, for if we are beginning a work here we won't succeed if we don't give God all the glory. I always dread to go among a new people. It always takes a week to get down to solid work. We want the power of the Holy Ghost here. When we say, 'They've got a big hall and a splendid choir, and a lot of people,' of course they ought to succeed in getting up a revival." I can tell you who will be disappointed in their expectations: Every man and every woman in New-York who don't get quickened himself. But I've never known a man who got quickened himself that didn't think the revival was a success. Our work here will be superficial and a counterfeit if we don't get quickened ourselves. But if we do get quickened ourselves we will be able to teach sinners the way to God, and not till then. There may be conversions here and there, but there will be no deep and lasting revival if we don't get quickened ourselves. Now, I've just come from Princeton. I think they've got a real Holy Ghost revival down there. But they didn't begin till one of the professors got up in meeting and asked his fellows to pray for him. If you want to introduce a man to another man you must bear him. So if we want to introduce sinners to God we must be with God ourselves. There is too much man worship. We must get rid of it. I am coming to the conclusion that we have too much of "I." We must get this "I" out of the way. And just here I want to say to the people of New-York, don't you buy anything on the streets. I am told that sixty-five men came from Philadelphia yesterday with photographs and hymn-books. Don't buy them. The photographs are not our photographs. They ain't any more like us than they are like you. A photograph is taken for eight years. If you buy of these people the sinners will say, "We don't want anything to do with those meetings. Those fellows are only speculators." Let's get rid of this man-worship. And now to get back to the text. What does it mean if not that we should give God all the glory just what he is entitled to? Why didn't the glory just then shall we have a revival. Now, you will find in all ages that God uses weak things. In the deluge he didn't call on a great nation. He just called on one man to build the ark. It was a weak thing, a contemptuous thing. But when the flood came it was worth all the rest of the world. When God wanted to bring the people of Israel out of Egypt, He said: "Moses, I want you to go down into Egypt." And when Pharaoh saw him—not an orator, or a man of splendid appearance, but a stuttering fellow, he laughed in his face and said, "Who is God, that I should fear him?" He found out who God was. One drop of God's strength is worth all man's strength put together. Look and see that giant coming out to defy the army of Israel. He came out eighty times, and he pointed his finger at the army of Israel, and the whole army was afraid of him. The trouble was, Saul and his army had put their eyes off from God. At last came a young stripling—come up to see how the boys were getting on, and to bring up a few things for the boys from home. We should have wanted a big giant to go out and fight Goliath, but that wasn't God's way. David takes this sling, and God aims it. Oh, my friends, we must look to God for strength. Samson had power enough with only a jawbone of an ass to slay the hosts of Philistines. Why? Because God helped him. Let me just impress upon you that what you need is weakness. There was crying in heaven once. John got there and found a book. It was sealed up, and he went round trying to get somebody worthy enough to open it. But he couldn't find anybody. So he went to crying. At length a stranger touched him on the shoulder, and says: "Don't cry, John; don't cry. There is one worthy to open the book." "Who is it?" cries John. "It is the lion," is the reply. John wheeled round to look at the lion and it was a lamb. God's lion is always a lamb. When we are out with God the devil puts a straw in front of us and we think it is a big mountain. But if we go along with God it is only a straw. If we go up in a balloon and look at a giant, he looks small; but if we look up from below it is mighty. We can all be giants if we will only receive the spirit of God and go out in His service. Look at that man Gideon. God wanted him to go out and meet the Philistines. God said, "Now, Gideon, that army of yours is too big. If you should beat the Philistines with it, your people would be too proud." At last God got the army down to 300 and sent them out with pitchers in their hands. "If I give them victory now," says God, "I'll get all the glory." Now, I have met lots of people who said, "New-York is a peculiar place; you can't get up a revival here." But it we have the spirit of God with us we can. If we don't have more than thirty here we can succeed if we are all quickened by God's spirit. In Philadelphia we had a big crowd at first, and the papers were all puffing us up. But there was no revival until the people began to feel that the work was God's own service. We don't want a crowd. If only God is with us that's all we want. We ain't so particular about reaching the ungodly in this work. We want to be quickened ourselves, and then I have no doubt we shall succeed. Let us say, "Oh, God, bless me; oh, God, quicken me." That was a pretty bold petition of Elisha's when he asked for a double portion of Elijah's spirit; but we must be as bold as Elisha. Oh, may Elijah's spirit rest upon us to-night! Let us go to our closets and pray that God's blessing will be upon us, and let us not forget to give all the glory to Jesus, and He will not forget to use us. Now, let us rise and sing the third hymn, "I need Thee every hour."

Mr. Moody then withdrew from the meeting to attend the overflow meeting, and Mr. William E. Dodge, taking charge, called upon Dr. William Adams to make the closing prayer.

THE OVERFLOW MEETING.

The smaller meeting-room in the eastern end of the building was nearly filled a short time after the opening of the doors. The platform in this room is smaller than the one in the other, and the choir are divided, the ladies sitting on the right of the speaker and the gentlemen on the left. The meeting in this room began shortly after 8 o'clock, and was led by Rev. Dr. Hall. After requesting the audience to spend a moment in silent prayer, Dr. Hall prayed that the series of meetings might be blessed, that the spirit of God might be present at all the meetings, and that not one should pass by without some soul finding light. After the hymn "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," Dr. Paxton prayed briefly, and Dr. Hall then announced that Mr. Moody would probably address this meeting after finishing in the other. The same gospel, he said, was in both rooms, and the same power of the Holy Ghost was ready to be exerted. Rev. Dr. S. H. Tyng, Jr., addressed the meeting first.

Dr. Tyng said that the one thought of these present should be of God's word. He would therefore read a portion of the first chapter of John. After reading he said that Christians ought to glad that this City is thoroughly moved, and that the people are apparently fully ready to find joy in the things which Christians have long known and felt. They should go on and do work in the confidence of the testimony given in the word of the living God, backed by the presence and power of the Holy Ghost. They should behold Jesus, believe in Jesus, and receive Jesus. After Dr. Tyng's address, which was brief, the congregation sang two stanzas of the hymn "I need Thee every hour."

Dr. Paxton said that all these instrumentalities that had been brought to bear for these meetings would be useless unless the spirit of the Lord worked there. While he was speaking, Mr. Moody came through from the larger room, and was greeted with a subdued round of applause. During a few moments delay, in which Mr. Moody rested, Dr. Hall spoke.

Mr. Moody said: I have already preached in the other room, and I cannot begin preaching twice in one evening; for, if I do, it will have to be kept up. We only expect to get acquainted with the people and make a start in the meetings to-night. I want to announce that a meeting will be held in this room at noon, each day of the week, beginning to-morrow. Mr. Sankey will sing the hymn, "Pass me not, oh gentle Saviour," and then we will close the meeting. If you believe a half of what Dr. Hall and these other gentlemen have told you, you will all be saved.

Mr. Sankey asked the congregation to excuse him from singing a solo, as he had caught a cold the night before in Princeton, and had already sung twice in the other room. He therefore asked them all to sing with him. The hymn announced was then sung, and Dr. Paxton pronounced the benediction.

A meeting was afterward held in one of the inquiry rooms for the organization of the force of Christian workers who are to assist at the morning meeting that it is expected will be held. No addresses were made, and by ten o'clock the great building was deserted.

THE CANAL INVESTIGATION.

EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION—THE APPROPRIATION EXHAUSTED.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—The following are the expenditures made by the Canal Investigating Commission, as shown by vouchers in the Controller's office:

COMMISSIONERS.

To Mr. Bigelow	$3,487 17	
To Mr. Magone	2,916 98	
To Mr. Orr	3,002 26	
To Mr. Van Buren	3,525 95—	$12,932 36

EXPERT ENGINEERS.

E. Sweet, Jr.	$2,786 98	
H. Gould	774 30	
J. M. Butts	10 00	
A. Pieuls	20 00—	3,571 26

CLERKS.

C. G. Shanks	$1,120 00	
H. Mooney	927 30	
James Smith	280 00	
L. Gani	315 00—	$2,642 30

ACCOUNTANT.

John S. Loomis	$258 00—	$258 00

PRINTING.

W. C. Bryant & Co	$2,009 22	
Weed, Parsons & Co	39 93	
Miscellaneous	3 00—	$2,052 15

PAY FOR STENOGRAPHING.

George E. Miles, salary, copying, &c	$2,899 94	
Miscellaneous	132 44—	$3,032 38

WITNESS FEES AND MILEAGE.

Sixty-eight witnesses	$1,021 98—	$1,021 98

MISCELLANEOUS.

Controller (stationery)	$146 97	
Keeper of Capitol, care of rooms, washing towels, &c.	134 36	
Prof. Michie, West Point Academy, services as engineer	160 37	
Prof. Wheeler, West Point Academy, services as engineer	159 37	
Lourie (locksmith)	24 90	
Kennedy (carpenter)	30 52	
Havens (carpenter)	10 95	
Petty cash	185 55—	$852 99
Grand total		$26,363 38

The commission, by an arrangement with Controller Hopkins, was allowed to disburse its own money, drawing and banking to the credit of its financial officer, Mr. Orr, $5,000 at a time for that purpose, he making return of vouchers whenever the portion drawn had been exhausted. On the last return, which is dated Jan. 6, he states that there are other vouchers yet to be audited and returned. These, it is apprehended, will more than exhaust the appropriation, though the excess cannot be over a few hundred dollars. A large portion of the per diem pay of the Commissioners is held back to prepare for any great excess, and will be waived altogether if necessary. The resolution of Mr. Hepburn, calling for these items, will probably come up to-morrow.

ALABAMA CLAIMS.

JUDGMENTS GIVEN YESTERDAY AND CASES SUBMITTED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Court of Commissioners of Alabama Claims to-day met pursuant to adjournment, all the Judges being present. The Presiding Judge announced the following judgments in favor of the claimants: James W. Pendleton, of Maine, $521 10; David L. Mayo, of Massachusetts, $294; Robert T. Meeks, of San Francisco, $300; Barling & Davis, Executors, of New-York, $8,597 50; David Nevins, of Boston, $15,491 25; David E. Mayo, of Massachusetts, $3,762 93; Zepporch Rider, Executor, of Massachusetts, $1,193 40; Abel Gove, of Boston, $1,285; Winslow Loveland, $973 85; M. M. Pigott, of Boston, $699 35; Hiram Barker, et al., of Boston, $635 35; John F. Currant, Administrator, of Boston, $635 35; Mary A. Merritt, $4,566 25; Solomon Littlefield, of Newburyport, Mass., $1,258 70; Hiram Littlefield, of Newburyport, Mass., $1,258 70; Atkinson Stanwood et al., $1,077 40; Jonathan Nemston, of Newburyport, $2,517 40; George B. Merritt, of Newton, N. Y., $1,258 70; Roena Clark, Administratrix, of Boston, $1,258 70; Chris. Smith, of Chatham, Mass., $314 23; Ephraim Smith, of Calhoun, Mass., $587 70; Sylvester G. Small, of Chelsea, Mass., $949 35. The following cases were submitted to the consideration of the court upon the evidence and oral argument of counsel: No. 963, Martin W. Britt; No. 964, Charles A. Selwus et al.; No. 965, Abigail M. Corbett; No. 966, Belcher T. Thurlow; No. 967, Pierre L. Pearce; No. 968, David Thurlow Trusdy; No. 969, Mark Thurlow; No. 1,076, John L. Randall; No. 979, George B. Talbot et al.; No. 980, Elizabeth S. Frohock, Executrix; No. 981, Denis Carver; No. 982, Robert E. Easton; No. 983, Putnam K. Frohbock; No. 535, William G. Cowell; No. 992, William Clitz; No. 995, Thomas Minor, Jr.; No. 996, William H. Forsyth; No. 997, Edgar Denison; No. 998, Nathan N. Denison; No. 1,000, Lucy S. Williams; No. 1,001, George B. Crary; No. 1,002, Joseph Griswold; No. 1,003, William E. Maxon; No. 1,004, G. B. Parker; No. 1,005, Benjamin Burrows; No. 1,006, George B. Crary; No. 1,007, Richard A. Wheeler et al.; No. 1,008, Charles R. Stark; No. 1,009, John O. Fish; No. 1010, Richard Wheeler; No. 1,011, James D. Fish; No. 1,012, Charles H. Wheeler; No. 1,013, E. A. Yarrington, Administrator; No. 1,014, Benjamin F. Hoxie.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

A fire on Saturday night destroyed the paper mills of Bradner, Smith & Co., situated at Rockland, Ill. Loss, $70,000; insurance from twenty-five to thirty thousand dollars. This firm do business in Chicago.

The ladies of Wilkesbarre gave a Centennial dinner and Lady Washington tea-party, from which they realized $1,333, half of which is to be devoted to the Monument Fund, and the rest to the Ladies' Pavilion at the Centennial.

The Philadelphia jury in the case of Patrick Quigley, charged with killing his wife, last night rendered a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.

The carriage factory of S. Wilber, at West Falmouth, Ms., was burned Sunday night. Loss on building and machinery $6,000, and on stock $2,000; insurance, $4,000.

The interior of the First Congregational Church in Exeter, Me., was damaged yesterday by fire and water. The fire caught from a defective flue. The loss is $3,000.

The Portland Rowing Club has decided to send a crew to the Centennial Regatta at Philadelphia.

THE SIX MILLION SUIT.

THE ACTION AGAINST TWEED BEGUN

THE JURY DRAWN IN THE ONE MILLION SUIT ACCEPTED—OPENING OF MR. CARTER—MOTION OF MR. FIELD TO DISMISS DENIED—RICHARD A. STORRS TESTIFIES.

The six million suit against William M. Tweed came on for trial yesterday morning in Part II. of the Supreme Court, before Judge Westbrook, which was held in the General Term room of the Supreme Court.

Messrs. Wheeler H. Peckham and James C. Carter appeared for the people, and Messrs. David Dudley Field and William Edelstein for the defense. William M. Tweed, Jr., sat by his father's counsel. The court-room was crowded with spectators. It had been supposed that there would be some debate about the selection of a jury, but the jury which had been drawn in the one million suit, of which Mr. John Taylor Johnston is foreman, entered the court-room and took their seats in the jury-box, and were accepted without question by both sides as the jury in the six million suit.

As soon as the jury had been accepted, Mr. David Dudley Field addressing the court, said:

I desire to thank you for the courtesy with which you indulged me in time of great embarrassment, and also to express my sense of the courtesy—generally almost universally—and kindness with which my misfortune and trouble have been received. There is, perhaps, no exception, or, rather, there is one exception, if it be one, for you may know, perhaps, that the New-York *Tribune*, instead of answering my very pertinent inquiries, has taken to calling me hard names, with the view undoubtedly of affecting the administration of justice in the disposition of this case, and among other things it says that I have been engaged the last few years in the service of the most notorious thieves New-York has ever known. Now, God forbid that it should ever be a reproach to a lawyer that he defends a notorious thief. It is his duty; ever notorious thieves have their rights, and it is the duty of a lawyer to defend the rights of every human being, whether he be accursed or praised, low or high, sinner or saint. You know, Sir, that it is to that that you, sitting in your seat of justice, owe half the value of your office, and that it is that pledge which every lawyer makes when he enters the profession, to defend the rights of all men, which has made lawyers the foremost men in all ages in every free Government. Every intelligent, every educated man knows that; it is only the ignorant and vulgar who don't know it or who dispute it. If the *Tribune* had contented itself with saying that I defended this case it would only have shown itself vulgar and ignorant. But it goes further, and speaks of other cases in which I have been concerned, and in doing that it is fairly amounting almost to lunacy, for it so happens that in a long life and in a practice which for magnitude, extent, and variety, I think, has never been exceeded at this bar, so far as I remember I have never defended any person which the *Tribune* in its choice language calls thieves, except Gould, and Fisk, and Tweed. Now, as these three persons were associated together in the Erie Railway Company, and as the relations of the *Tribune* with the two survivors are represented to be such that an editor of the *Tribune* made haste to call upon one of them when he came from Blackwell's Island, and the other is the reputed owner of the *Tribune*, hypocrisy is added, incredible as it seems, to the ignorance and the vulgarity. Why, Sir, if the representation be true, and nobody can tell better than the *Tribune* itself, then it follows that the friends and supporters of the *Tribune* are the most notorious thieves New-York has ever known. I by no means assent to these censures of the persons spoken of. It is not for me to say, but taking the *Tribune* at its word, if its word be good for anything, then its friends and supporters, as I have said, are the most notorious thieves New-York has ever known. It is said, Sir, to be a foul bird that soils its own nest. I am afraid the *Tribune* must be counted not only a very foul bird, but a very silly one. With these observations, I have to avow my readiness to go on with the case, and to hope, and express the hope, that my learned friends on the other side, with my associates and myself, under your guidance and moderating influence, will so demean ourselves as to get at the right in this case, and develop the height, breadth, length, and depth of this great municipal scandal.

At the conclusion of Mr. Field's remarks, Judge Westbrook said that so far as he had noticed counsel's action in the case he had seen nothing done by him beyond what seemed a proper endeavor to protect the legal rights of his client. As to matters outside of the case, the court knew nothing, and should express no opinion.

Mr. Carter opened the case for the people. He stated the object of the suit, and said that the trial involved the proof of familiar transactions in 1870, and further thereto, by a batch of public plunderers. Hebrieffy recapitulated the leading general facts connected with the acts of the Ring, and its overthrow by the people, saying that most of the members of the Ring fled from justice, while the "captain of the band of thieves" remained in the city, had the audacity to run for high office, and had the temerity to personally appear as a defendant in both criminal and civil suits; but at last the legal prosecution became too hot even for him, and he, too, had fled. The amount stolen by this band of thieves was great, but it was not so great but that the City could have borne it. The City could bear the effects of the fire or other great calamity, not involving its good name or the reputation of its officials, but robbery committed by those placed in offices of trust and responsibility was a blow at the very foundations of public virtue and private morality. The character of the gentlemen who are composing the present jury was a guarantee of the fairness of the issue to be arrived at. The general features of the evidence would be the presentation of fraudulent bills, their false certification, and the division of the plunder thus obtained among the members of the Ring, of which the defendant was the head. Some of the frauds were in connection with contracts, and others in connection with the furnishing of supplies involving no contract. The real government of the City had, at the time of these frauds, fallen into the hands of so few men that they could, with apparent impunity, defraud the public in the manner stated. They began to do so with comparative moderation, but as their wants increased, they stole more, and then, becoming emboldened in their thievish acts by their great success, they launched out into a perfectly reckless system of robbery, believing that they could retain power indefinit

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

At the Exchange yesterday, Monday, Feb. 7, under a Supreme Court foreclosure order, L. B. Prince, Esq., Referee, E. A. Lawrence & Co. sold the valuable plot of land now occupied by the Elevated Railroad Company known as Nos. 5, 7, 9, and 11 Broadway and Nos. 5, 7, 9, and 11 Greenwich street, extending from street to street 94.6 feet north of Battery place, and being in size 162.4 by 170.6 by 151.10 by 200.8, for $900,000. The property was bought by William H. Vanderbilt, the New-York Central Railroad Company being the plaintiff in the legal action. Under a similar court decree, George W. Blunt, Esq., Referee, V. K. Stevenson, Jr., sold a three-story and basement brick house, with lot 22 by 93, on Avenue D, west side, 115 feet south of Tenth street, for $9,500, to George Harley, plaintiff in the foreclosure suit. George H. Scott, also by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, disposed of a four-story brick building, with lease of lot, 20 by 90, on Avenue A, east side, 63 feet south of Nineteenth street, for $4,370, the purchaser being David H. Brown. The lease has about eighteen years to run, and the ground rent is $300 per annum. No other sales were effected.

The following auctions were adjourned as noted: Sale by A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co. of a plot on Second avenue, south-east corner of Ninety-fourth street, and two lots on East Ninety-fourth street, east of Second avenue, to-day. Sale by R. V. Harnett of a house and plot on Madison avenue, south-west corner of Seventy-seventh street, 14th inst. Sale by E. H. Ludlow & Co. of the house and lot No. 119 East Seventy-eighth street, east of Fourth avenue, 19th inst. Sale by James M. Miller of a building and plot on Duane street, east of Broadway, 23d inst., and sale by same auctioneer of four lots on Ninth avenue, north-west corner of Eighty-fifth street, March 8.

TO-DAY'S AUCTIONS.

To-day's sales at the Exchange, as announced, are as follows:

By E. H. Ludlow & Co., Executors' sale to close estate of Schureman Halsted, deceased, of the very valuable property, Nos. 917 and 919 Broadway, south-west corner of Twenty-first street, comprising a plot of land 48.2 by 83 by 46 by 98.6, with a well-built six-story brick building thereon, used for stores on the first floor, and as a hotel above; also, two lots, each 25 by 98 feet, known as Nos. 10 and 12 East Twenty-first street.

By D. M. Seaman, Superior Court foreclosure sale, William A. Abbott, Esq., Referee, of the premises known as Nos. 147 to 155 South Fifth avenue, and Nos. 148 to 150 Thompson street, 192.3 feet south-west of Houston street, embracing a plot 101.10 by 173, extending through from street to street, with the buildings thereon.

By A. H. Muller & Son, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, William Sinclair, Esq., Referee, of a house, with lot 40.5 by 78, on Duane street, south side, extending through to Manhattan place, 73.10 feet west of Elm street.

By Richard V. Harnett, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, A. W. Loew, Esq., Referee, of the house, with lot 20 by 100, No. 24 Jane street, between Greenwich and Fourth streets. Also, similar sale, George P. Smith, Esq., Referee, of a house, with lot 20 by 102.8, on East Eighty-first street, south side, 200 feet east of Madison avenue. Also, foreclosure sale of the premises, rights, franchises, and property of the New-York City Central Underground Railroad Company.

By James M. Miller, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, A. H. Walls, Esq., Referee, of a house, with lot 21.5 by 100.5, on West Fifty-eighth street, north side, 468.1 feet west of Eighth avenue. Also, similar sale, Frank Rudd, Esq., Referee, of a plot of land 75 by 152.5 by 75 by 153.8, on Fifty-second street, south side, 125 feet west of First avenue.

By Clarkson & Chandler, public auction sale of the four-story and basement brown-stone-front house, with lot 19.6 by 95.5, No. 68 East Forty-ninth street, south side, 360 feet west of Fourth avenue.

By Blackwell & Baker, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Frank D. Ely, Esq., Referee, of a three-story brown-stone-front house, with lot 17.6 by 99.11 on East One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, south side, 300 feet west of Third avenue.

By Oliver Bryan, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, A. T. Brown, Esq., Referee, of a tract of land containing 17 11-100 acres, located on Leggett's Creek and on the road leading from Farm's Ferry to Hunt's Point, adjoining lands of Francis Banetto, West Farms, Twenty-fourth Ward; also another tract on the same road, adjoining lands of Lewis B. Brown.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Philo T. Buggies, Esq., Referee, of a house, with lease of lot 25 feet front, on Lower Canal street, extending through to East Broadway, known on the map of the estate of Frederick Rutgers, deceased, as lot No. 79; lease dated May 1, 1857, for a term of ten years; ground rent, $700 per annum. Also, similar sale, C. C. Bigelow, Esq., Referee, of a plot of land 50.8 by 100, on Second avenue, south-east corner of Ninety-fourth street. Also, two lots, each 20 by 100.5, on East Ninety-fourth street, south side, 100 feet east of Second avenue.

EXCHANGE SALES—MONDAY, FEB. 7.

NEW-YORK.

By E. A. Lawrence & Co.

1 plot, Nos. 5, 7, 9, and 11 Broadway, extending through to Greenwich st., (Nos. 5, 7, 9, and 11,) 94.6 ft. n. of Battery place, 162.4x170.6x151.10x200.8.....$900,000

By V. K. Stevenson, Jr.

1 three-story and basement brick house and lot, Avenue D, w. s., 115 ft. s. of 10th st., lot 22x93.....$9,500

By George H. Scott.

1 four-story brick building and lease of lot, Avenue A, e. s., 63 ft. s. of 19th st., lot 20x90, lease dated Feb. 7, 1873, term 21 years; ground rent $300 per annum.....$4,370

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK.

Saturday, Feb. 5.

Locust av., n. s., 43.8 ft. w. of Catharine st., 21.7½x150, 24th Ward; Janet E. Walker to Dennis Powers.....445

Locust av., n. s., 50.6 ft. w. of Catharine st., 43.8x150, 24th Ward; Lewin W. Walker to Dennis Powers.....300

84 av., e. w. corner 92d st., 100.10x100.5; Louis Bernheimer and wife to Anson Hirschfeld.....100,000

128th st., n. s., 174.8 ft. e. of St. Ann's av., 50x100, 23d Ward; F. V. R. Kennedy, Referee, to Manuel MaLoughlin.....2,500

1st av., s. e. corner 23d st., 38x65; Joseph Mayer and wife to Joseph Smith.....nom.

1st av., w. s., 75.3 ft. n. of 58th st., 25x75; Thomas Moore and wife to Feist Samuels.....1,805

Lexington av., e. s., 24.8½ s. n. of 36th st., 18x100; Joseph H. Tucker and wife to Thompson Dean.....30,000

2d av., e. s., 20.5 feet s. of 55th st., 20x64; Feist Samuels to Thomas Moore.....18,900

Lexington av., e. s., 24.8½ s. of 36th st., 18x100; John J. Du Bois, Referee, to Joseph H. Tucker.....22,625

88th st., n. s., 150 ft. w. of 3d av., 52.1x102.10x irr.; Esther Cohen and husband to Julia Bisbech.....54,700

Roosevelt st., No. 64, e. s., 25x50; Catharine C. Byron to Richard R. Mount and others.....120

11th st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 9th av., 100x99.11, 19th Ward; Patrick Grady and wife to Bridget D. Fitzpatrick.....2,333

45th st., s. s., 425 ft. w. of 9th av., 25x100.4; Susan Morgan and others to Stephen Weisel.....6,000

54th st., n. s., 225 ft. w. of 4th av., 17.10x100.5; Charles R. Parfitt and wife to William P. Parsons and others.....21,000

Sylvan place, s. w. corner of 190th st., 25x95.11; Thomas to Lewis B. Reynolds.....2,500

Washington av., w. s., 50x150, 23d Ward; Edward H. Harrigan and wife to George Hoffmann.....15,000

Webster av., w. s., 175.2 ft. s. of 2d av., 25.8x100; George Hoffman and wife to Edward H. Harrigan.....21,000

LEASES RECORDED.

No. 216 West 14th st.; Mary Greenwood to Isaac J. Greenwood.....nom.

No. 262 Madison st., stable, 5 years; Daniel Vredenhaven to David Reinhard.....$480

No. 179 Avenue C, store and cellar, 5 years; Charles Bernhardt to William Donnolly.....600

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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of THOMAS ROWE, a bankrupt.—The undersigned will sell at public auction, on the premises at Numbers 50 and 51 John street, in the City of Brooklyn, on the 16th day of February, 1876, at 12 o'clock M., all the real and personal property known as Rowe's Oil Works, and lately used by the said Thomas Rowe in the manufacture of linseed-oil, to-wit: All that piece of land lying between said John street and the East River, bounded on the southerly side by said John street, on the northerly side by said East River, on the westerly side by a line drawn parallel with Jay street, and one hundred and ninety-five (195) feet distant easterly therefrom, and on the easterly side by a line drawn parallel with said last-mentioned line, and fifty (50) feet distant therefrom, together with the pier or wharf in said East River in front of said land, and all water rights thereunto appertaining, and all machinery, fixtures, utensils, and materials in and upon the said land. Also, all those certain five other lots or pieces of land which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of said John street, distant easterly from said Jay street one hundred and ninety-five (195) feet; running thence southerly, parallel with said Jay street, to Plymouth street, thence westerly along said Plymouth street seventy-two (72) feet; thence northerly, parallel with said Jay street, one hundred (100) feet; thence westerly, parallel with said Plymouth street, twenty-two (22) feet; thence again northerly, parallel with said Jay street, ninety (90) feet to said John street, and thence westerly along said John street fifty (50) feet to the point or place of beginning; together with all the machinery, fixtures, utensils, and materials of the estate of said Rowe in and upon the said five lots. Also, all those two certain other lots or pieces of land adjoining the said last-described five lots on the westerly side thereof, and which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on said southerly side of said John street, distant easterly from said Jay street one hundred and fifty (150) feet, running thence southerly and parallel with said Jay street ninety (90) feet, thence easterly and parallel with said John street forty-five (45) feet, thence northerly and parallel with said Jay street ninety (90) feet to said John street, and thence westerly along said John street forty-five (45) feet to the point or place of beginning. For terms of sale, catalogues, and other information, apply to JOHN H. PLATT, Assignee, ja26-law3wW No. 40 Wall street, New-York City.

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CHAMBER-MAID.—BY A RESPECTABLE young English Protestant woman as chamber-maid or parlor-maid; thoroughly understands her business in all its branches; has unexceptionable City reference. Apply at Bedell's, No. 340 4th av.

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CHAMBER-MAID AND WAITRESS.—BY A Welsh girl as chamber-maid and waitress or take care grown children and do plain sewing; no objection to the country. Call at No. 327 East 19th st., third bell.

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CHAMBER-MAID AND LAUNDRESS.—BY A respectable young girl as chamber-maid and laundress; the best City reference. Call or address No. 201 West 26th st.

CHAMBER-MAID AND WAITRESS.—AS chamber-maid and waitress; good City reference. Call at No. 64 East 41st st.

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COOK.—BY A FIRST-CLASS COOK; A COMPETENT English woman, who thoroughly understands her work; can bone, lard, make soups, &c.; would, if cooking permitted, do washing; a really competent person for a steady place; City or country; last place four years. Call at No. 366 6th av., near 23d st.

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COOK, WASHER, AND IRONER.—BY A clean young woman as good family cook; makes excellent bread and biscuits, soups, roasts, desserts, &c., and is a superior washer and ironer; can furnish the very best reference. Apply at the office, No. 65 West 33d st., up stairs.

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COOK.—BY A FRENCH COOK, CORDON BLEU, IN the best private family; City references. Address French Cook, No. 21 South 5th av., first floor.

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HOUSE-WORK.—BY A YOUNG GIRL TO DO general house-work; is a good washer and ironer; City reference. Call at No. 216 West 37th st.

HOUSE-WORK.—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL TO do general house-work or chamber-work; wages, $10; best references. Call at No. 490 6th av., first floor, back room.

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CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, March 4, at noon
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7:45 A. M.—Way Train for Flemington and Easton, connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

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3:30 P. M.—Way Train for Dunellen.

4:00 P. M.—Way Train for Easton, Allentown, and Mauch Chunk. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

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5:00 P. M.—Way Train for Dunellen.

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6:30 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Elmira, &c., connecting with trains for Ithaca, Auburn, Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and the West. Pullman's sleeping coaches attached.

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8:00 P. M., Pacific Express, daily, with sleeping cars, for Rochester, Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Cleveland and Cincinnati; also for Chicago, via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads.

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4:00 P. M., daily, except Sundays, Express Mail for Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Sleeping coach to Buffalo.

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TWO NOTABLE LECTURES.

A PLEA FOR LAW SCHOOLS.

LECTURE BY PROF. T. W. DWIGHT—EDUCATION IN THESE INSTITUTIONS CONTRASTED WITH THAT OBTAINED IN LAW OFFICES—ADVANTAGES OF LAW SCHOOL TRAINING.

Prof. Theodore W. Dwight delivered last evening a lecture before the students of Columbia College Law School on "Education in Law Schools in the City of New-York Compared with that Obtained in Law Offices." After alluding to the right exercised by the college of examining its graduates preliminary to their admission to the Bar, the Professor briefly sketched the difference between the duties of an attorney and those performed by a counselor, the former being occupied with matters of form, the latter with the law itself on legal principles. It must be quite plain, he said, to any thinking mind that as the duties are so diverse, an education that would fit a person to be an attorney might be of very little value to train him as a counselor. The counselor evidently holds the superior function. It would seem that he should study the law as a science as well as practice it as an art. He should become familiar with the wide domain of jurisprudence, be versed in general principles, be expert in legal definitions, and possess a mind trained to draw nice legal distinctions. He should also have a broad, general culture—be acquainted with the philosophy of general jurisprudence, be familiar with the outlines of political science and moral philosophy, and with topics closely affiliated to his own, such as medical jurisprudence. Were he to pass all his life as an attorney, so wide a culture, though desirable, would not be essential, since a large portion of an attorney's duties become in time quite mechanical. But it is impossible for a lawyer of any activity of mind and strength of intellect to be contented for any length of time with the drudgery of an inferior class of work. He is continually striving to emancipate himself from this narrow position and to rise to the grade of counsellor. The true style of education would thus seem to be that which enables him to follow both branches of his multifarious duties with honor to himself and usefulness to the public. It is just at this point that the law schools assert their right to exist, and claim full and ample recognition. Since the time when the law permitted a person by a single examination to become both an attorney and counselor, the courts have established no means whatever whereby he could obtain an education as a counselor. For twenty-five years (from 1846 to 1871) they did absolutely nothing for him in either character. They simply appointed a committee to examine any male person of the age of twenty-one years and upwards who might present himself to have his qualifications tested. Since 1871, the Court of Appeals, by rule, has provided an imperfect method of securing some aptitude for the duties of an attorney by requiring an attendance of three years in a law office, but it has established no requirements which have any tendency to make an applicant for legal honors a counselor. In other words, three years' attendance in a law office, particularly in this city, has little or no effect in giving him that comprehensive knowledge and severe mental training which fit him to understand and comprehend the law as a science, or to practice it as an art. The student can have little if any personal attention from the lawyer in whose office he may be, and, where clerks are numerous, scarcely even enjoys his personal acquaintance. What the student gets, he picks up in a hap-hazard way, while hurrying to chambers and answering to his principal's causes, or driving as a copyist through a mass of manuscript, or keeping a register of daily business.

The lecturer next pointed out the advantages of an education in a law school, among which are the following:

They inspire hope, courage, and enthusiasm in the student's progressive acquaintance with a science which is not only vast, but, as ordinarily acquired, dreary, and which can still be made interesting and attractive if it is pursued in the natural manner of first grasping principles and then considering details. It is of the greatest consequence that there is always at hand a trained lawyer, in the person of his professor, to whom the student can go when in doubt, and ask such questions and seek such explanations as will cause his doubts to be removed.

Law schools make the student acquainted with reports of law cases, ancient as well as modern, and their comparative value; teach him how to study the cases reported, and to apply legal rules to them, and thus give him an invaluable key to the great mass and volume of legal knowledge, which from many who do not attend them is wholly hidden. Next to perfect familiarity with a legal rule is the knowledge where to find it speedily when wanted, and this acquisition of a lifetime is most satisfactorily begun in the precincts of a law school.

They inspire a desire for communication and discussion with one's fellows. Under the guidance of the professors the students tend to form societies for improvement by debate and mutual questioning. Moot courts are founded, kindly feeling is promoted, and all professional courtesies and amenities. Solid friendships are formed, out of which springs a healthy regard for the good opinion of one's associates. Trickery and artifice, and sharp practice generally, are discouraged. A sound moral tone prevails, and professional ethics are promoted.

Most of all, law schools tend to prevent students from becoming mere technical lawyers—sticklers for form and critics of syllables; and to inspire them with a love for broad principles, and a corresponding aversion to all modes, however current, of spending time and talents in begetting and abetting knavery. Men educated upon these principles were the prime and active movers in that vigorous "Young Men's Municipal Association" which some years ago did such excellent and hearty work in conjunction with the "Committee of Seventy."

In continuation, he said that he did not claim that none of these results could be obtained in connection with an attendance upon a law office. Some of them involving the association of numbers, it is plain cannot be. Others might, perhaps, be achieved more or less fully, but at a great expenditure of vital force. Nor did he urge that all students in law schools show the full results of the system of education there prevailing. No system of education, no college or university, ever succeeds in giving to all who attend upon it the complete education to all who attend upon it. The fault might be in the students, and not in the institution or its system of instruction.

I urge, concluded the lecturer, that the great point to be insisted upon in a legal education at the present day is, that young men must be led to make them counselors. When this education has been obtained, it is unnecessary to insist on a special education as attorneys, for enough of that kind of training is sure to be gathered from experience in litigation and actual business. Principles before practice is the true watchword. This fact is fully recognized in every other department of education but in law. But when we come to the greatest science known among men, vast in its comprehensiveness, bewildering in its details, as complex and multiform in all its relations as are the affairs of human life, we are told that we must abandon system, go back to chaos, struggle blindly with details before we know anything of principles, absorb knowledge through the ends of the fingers by diligent quill-driving, and ultimately through all the weariesomeness and disgust engendered by a false system of education, struggle forward to a dim conception of the order and beauty of a system of knowledge. With all due respect, the Supreme Court, in its existation of office study, would invert true methods, put back the dial of progress, and would follow an old and exploded plan of education, rejected on the Continent of Europe, and upheld in England by a purblind conservatism, though even there tottering to its fall. What the Supreme Court should have insisted on is, that no person should ever act as an attorney who is not first qualified by the knowledge of the principles of law to act as a counselor. There could be no surer mode of banishing from the profession the baneful and disgraceful class of shysters and pettifoggers, men who delight in tripping up their neighbors by a legal snare and impaling them upon a sharp point of practice.

These views which I have endeavored to enforce are of the highest consequence to the character of the Judges who may occupy hereafter the bench on which those whose opinions we are considering are now sitting, as well as other places of high judicial distinction. The material from which our Judges are to be derived is a matter of the last importance. Shall we take them from a class of men who have had no institutional instruction? Nay, verily. They should be men of the broadest and most general culture, as well as of the highest character. The great guarantee of an able bench is a learned and able bar. When the latter exists, and has an organ by which its will can find expression, the force of professional opinion will necessarily react upon the Judges and defend them from seeking the position, and will stimulate those who are fit to put forth their utmost endeavor to satisfy the exacting though just demands of their brethren. The views that I have thus presented have been put forward in the interest of what I believe to be sound education. I hold them, however, in no factious spirit. I submit them to my brethren of the bar and to the public at large for their calm and deliberate judgment. If the final decision is opposed to my opinions, I shall unhesitatingly give way, if the law is made prospective and does not apply to the present classes in the law school. As a lawyer, I have been taught (wherever honor and good faith are not concerned) to hold my own opinions in abeyance and unmurmuringly to acquiesce in the decision of the court of last resort. That tribunal in the present case is public opinion, and whatever it may decide I shall hasten to follow and obey, reserving the right to deprecate any injury which may result to the cause of education.

ABELARD AND HELOISE.

LECTURE BY DR. JOHN LORD AT ASSOCIATION HALL.

Dr. Lord lectured yesterday in Association Hall, on Abelard and Héloise, and dwelt chiefly on their mutual infatuation—that great passion which finally became a sentiment. Heloise was born in an age of religious faith and degrading superstition, about the year 1101, and was reared in the house of her uncle, one of the Canons of the Catholic Church of Notre Dame. She was educated in the Convents of Argent, and made extraordinary attainments and won universal admiration. At eighteen she returned to her uncle's house, and was the centre of its attractions, full of radiance, genius, and beauty—poetical, imaginative, and with great appreciation of intellectual excellence. To her house resorted the best society of the gay and learned capital, yet she was superior to her uncle and his guests, who, after all, were mere pedants and wooden-headed dignitaries, who exalted the accidents of life, to which she was superior. She was *ennuied* with these men, great as was their reputation, and pined for sympathy and appreciation. Among the illustrious visitors attracted by her beauty and accomplishments was a man, thirty-eight years of age, of noble birth, whose majestic air, severe yet elegant dress, negligent attitude, aristocratic manners, by turn affable and haughty, stamped him as an extraordinary person. His name was Abelard—the most famous man of his age for genius and eloquence in learning—the great dialectician who confounded the schools, and who at twenty had carried away their laurels—more intent on conquest, however, than the establishment of truth. Added to his metaphysical acumen was also a love of poetry. The verses which he composed were scattered throughout France, and formed the conversation of scholars, the delight of women, and the secret language of lovers. But love songs were his recreation—philosophy was his study. He taught by lectures, and students attended them by thousands. Fancying that he had mastered the great heights of philosophy, he aspired to teach the truths of theology. Theology and philosophy encircled his brow with a double garland, and he rapidly rose to the first rank among doctors—the pride and glory of the Middle Ages. Such was the haughty, presumptuous, brilliant philosopher and poet, who at thirty-eight encountered the most intellectual and beautiful woman of her age, only eighteen, thirsty for knowledge and intensely idolatrous of intellectual excellence. And what young woman, with such sentiments and aspirations, could be indifferent to the attentions of such a man! We need not repeat the familiar story of her weakness and his meanness; their mutual infatuation; their abandonment to a mad passion, forgetful alike of fame and duty. In a healthy age this mutual passion would have been followed by the marriage ties. But from marriage they both shrank, since it would have involved the loss of caste, and destroyed his ecclesiastical Celibacy, for a priest, was deemed indispensable to his rising in the world. Marriage would have consigned him to ridicule, obscurity, and ignominy. And as he was a slave of fashion—vain and ambitious—he contented himself with a secret marriage. But this was attended with difficulties. It leaked out. The envious detractors of Abelard rejoiced in his weakness and her fall. His pride took offense and he denied the ties. So did she, with a strange perversity of love, for his reputation was dearer to her than her own honor. The old uncle was indignant, and inflicted a cruel punishment. Abelard put his wife in a convent and resumed his studies in philosophy, and reached still higher fame. He retired to the wilderness. Thither followed the ennuied youth of Europe, dazzled by his eloquence and genius. Three thousand assembled together and built a convent, which he dedicated to the Holy Comforter and called the Paraclete. It was here that his most brilliant days were spent. But his success, audacity and fame created innumerable enemies. He was driven from his retreat. Bernard became one of his persecutors. Abelard, after great misfortunes, became Abbot of a monastery on the shores of Brittany, the monks of which disgraced themselves by dissoluteness and insubordination, and even attempted to take the life of their Abbot, who had attempted the vain task of reforming them. Thus fifteen years were passed in alternate study, glory, suffering, and shame. In his misery he wrote a history of his sorrows. It fell into the hands of Heloise, then Abbess of the Paraclete, which Abelard had given her. It reopened all her wounds, and she penned him a letter—an immortal record of her grief and despair, her unsubdued passion, her boundless love.

Dr. Lord then commented on the remarkable correspondence of these unfortunate lovers, in which Abelard showed more tenderness and sympathy than has been generally supposed he felt for the great woman whom he had doomed to hopeless isolation. He then commented on the condition of a fallen woman, and showed how heathenish and cold are the ordinary verdicts of society. He protested against the doctrine that any sin, when once forgiven and no longer committed, should hopelessly destroy our self-respect or prevent a subsequent elevation. He then painted the beautiful life which Heloise led amid the retirement of her convent, and the majesty of that sentiment which could not be destroyed by misfortune or time. He showed how superior woman was to man in sentiment—in all the higher qualities of the soul. Then the closing days of these renowned lovers were described, and the great veneration in which they were both held by the most austere and distinguished saints, and the tribute which the French nation has paid to their memory. Thus "do those votive offerings, which the popular enthusiasm of a great nation offers daily on their tomb at Père la Chaise, mysteriously convey admiration for the constancy and sympathy with the posthumous union of two hearts who transposed conjugal tenderness from the senses to the soul, and changed love itself into a holocaust, a martyrdom, and a holy sacrifice."

OPPOSITION TO BUYING PIER NO. 44.

The proposition of the Dock Department to purchase Pier No. 44, North River, was called up again yesterday before the Aldermanic Committee on Finance, to whom the resolution of Alderman Gross, adverse to the measure, was referred. Only a few persons attended the session. G. W. Blunt appeared to oppose the purchase of the property. He thought the steam-ship company who had possession of it could not give a good title to this City, because, as had been alleged, they did not own the land under water, or the site of the pier. If the Dock Department desired to make improvements they should build bulkheads, but not piers, unless requested to do so by responsible companies who would be willing to enter into an agreement to lease them at good rents and for a long term. He did not believe that the present condition of the City finances would justify the purchase of Pier No. 44, which might be worth about one hundred thousand dollars. Dr. Schultz and Mr. Nevills, representing the German Tax-payers' Association, and Mr. Henry N. Beers, of the Council of Political Reform, next spoke against purchasing the pier; after which Alderman John Reilly said that he, too, was opposed to it, and would vote against it. One of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. The committee subsequently agreed to present a report adverse to the measure.

The committee also agreed to report in favor of paying the bill of the Twenty-second Regiment Band, $328, for music furnished during the obsequies of the late Vice President Wilson, and a bill of the Grand Union Hotel, amounting to $145 40, incurred on the same occasion by the escort to the remains.

THE NEW-ENGLAND SOCIETY.

The ladies' reception of the New-England Society, one of the leading social events of the year, will take place to-morrow evening at Delmonico's, Fourteenth street and Fifth avenue. The committee in charge of the affair held its final meeting at the Union League Club last evening, and from the reports received as to the number of tickets sold the reception promises to be one of the most successful ever given under the auspices of the society. The tickets include supper, and of the number issued, 500 in all, only a few remain to be disposed of. These can be had at Tiffany & Co.'s, Union square.

THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

Representatives of eight or ten trades unions met last night at No. 10 Stanton street for the purpose of protesting against the repeal of the Eight-hour law. Mr. John Frasar, of the Crispins, was Chairman, and after he had explained the object of the meeting a series of resolutions was offered by Mr. George Blair objecting to the repeal of the Eight-hour law. Adopted. One of the resolutions is to the effect that a committee be appointed to draft an amendment to the law which shall provide that no man employed on behalf of the Government or on any public work shall work more than eight hours, any violation of which shall be considered a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of $500 or imprisonment for one year. Speeches were made favoring work by the day instead of by contract, and it was thought that this would be a benefit to the City Government, insuring better work at less cost to the tax-payers.

STABBING AFFRAY.

Last night Roundsman Watson, of the Eighth Precinct found Francis S. Murphy, of No. 2,000 Third avenue, lying in the hallway of No. 287 Spring street, bleeding profusely from a serious stab in the neck, and badly bruised about the face and head. He said he had received his injuries during a fight with Henry Stevenson, employed as an oysterman at the Revere House. Stevenson made his escape.

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

THE TRIAL OF RUBENSTEIN.

BEGINNING OF THE TESTIMONY FOR THE DEFENSE—THE SANITY OF THE WITNESS KRAEMER CALLED IN QUESTION.

All available space in the court-room of the Kings County Court of Oyer and Terminer was crowded yesterday morning long before the hour appointed for the resumption of the trial of P. N. Rubenstein for the murder of Sara Alexander, and the corridors were completely blocked by hundreds who were vainly striving to gain admission. The prisoner came in accompanied by his friends and counsel, and took his accustomed seat. It was immediately noticed that he looked much more cheerful than usual, and he seemed to take more interest in the proceedings than heretofore, his face wearing a more intelligent look, and his eyes looking clearer and brighter. The two deferred witnesses for the prosecution, who failed to reach the court on Friday in consequence of the storm, were the first called. These were Mr. William Conraddy and his wife, who reside at Ridgewood. Mr. Conraddy testified that he was visiting a brother-in-law in East New-York on Sunday, Dec. 12, with his wife and child, and that they left there about 6 o'clock P. M., and passed through the Evergreens Cemetery; as they passed along he heard a woman scream and utter words which he could not understand; the sounds seemed to come from toward the toll-gate and lasted about half a minute. His wife, Sarah Conraddy, corroborated his testimony. The prosecution then rested.

Louis S. Davidson was the first witness called for the defense. He testified that he was a merchant tailor doing business at the corner of Fulton and William streets, New-York. Witness said he was President of an Israelite society called Chibra B'nai Leale, of which Solomon Kraemer, who swore that he met the prisoner and deceased near East New-York on Dec. 12, between 6 and 7 o'clock, and saw them get over the fence and go toward the corn-field, is a member. Witness said that the society held a meeting on Sunday, Dec. 12, which lasted from 3:30 until about 4:30 P. M., and that Kraemer was present at the meeting. Raphael Isaacs testified that he was tiler of the society, and that Kraemer sat beside him during the meeting of Dec. 12. Morris Steinhardt, a tailor, doing business at No. 79 Ludlow street, said that Kraemer was at his house on Sunday, Dec. 12, and he went with him to the meeting of the society above spoken of. They staid there until between 4 and 5 o'clock, and then Kraemer went home with witness to supper. He said they spoke in the lodge for Kraemer, and asked that his dues be remitted until he could pay them up. In reply to the District Attorney, witness said that he did not attend the November and January meetings, and that the society met on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Teresa Steinhardt, wife of the last witness, corroborated her husband's statement about Kraemer being at their house on Dec. 12; and Louis Goldsmith, Herman Tischman, and Julius Lockman testified that they saw him at the lodge on the afternoon in question. Jacob Newman could not remember having seen Kraemer at the lodge at any time, and was not detained long on the stand. John F. Runill, clerk at Cypress Hills Cemetery, said that there was no Jewish funeral there on Sunday, Dec. 12. He produced the record of burials, which was not considered satisfactory, and Mr. Mott said he would have an attachment issued to compel the Superintendent to produce the burial permits. Peter J. Hiltman, Superintendent of the Salem Field Jewish Cemetery, testified that his was the only cemetery with an entrance on East New-York avenue. His notice was that was only one child buried there on Sunday, Dec. 12, and that was the body of a child who died of small-pox, and was brought to the cemetery on Saturday. The father and three boys were the only persons at the grave. He said there was a beer saloon opposite the entrance to the Cypress Hills Cemetery. K. L. Johnson, keeper of two Jewish cemeteries near the Jamaica Plank Road, testified that no child was buried on Dec. 12, and Patrick Day, Superintendent of the Portuguese Cemetery, adjoining Cypress Hills testified that no child had been buried there since Oct. 14. Joseph Banza, Superintendent of the Macpelah Cemetery, on Fresh Pond road, said there was a child buried there on Sunday, Dec. 12, which came from Thirty-eighth street, Newark. He knew Kraemer, and saw him at the cemetery about Dec. 15 or 16. Joseph Zettler, a stonecutter in the same cemetery, knew Kraemer, and had frequently seen him at the cemetery, generally alone.

Adolph Kraemer was then called, and testified that he was a brother of Solomon Kraemer, and sold hats and caps at No. 411 East Houston street, New-York. He testified that his brother Solomon used to come to his house every Friday and take dinner, and that about three weeks after the murder he stopped coming; he next saw him at Detective Zandt's house; the next time he saw him he asked him how he came to go to the funeral, and told him he ought to come back in the carriage, and his brother merely replied, "Oh, don't bother me;" he then said the man asked him to go to make up ten men at the funeral; when he was coming back along the road he heard some one cry, "Man, man, help me!" and then a big Newfoundland dog snapped at him, and he ran away; the following Sunday he saw him reading a paper written in German at Detective Zandt's house, which a girl in the house said she wrote; it was the evidence given by his brother Solomon on the stand on Friday last; he said that his brother was an honest man, but a simpleton. On cross-examination witness said the girl did not tell him that she wrote the paper, and that he did not know Rubenstein. He denied that he told Mr. Goldstrom that Rubenstein's brother had been to his house to get him to swear that Pesach was insane, and said that he did not think his brother could calculate; that he is unsteady and flighty in his conversation. Michael Drestle, of No. 276 Throop avenue, Brooklyn, was acquainted with Solomon Kraemer, and considered him of unsound mind; said he went about from house to house, gossiping and telling stories, and when the stories got out he could not remember what he had said. Adolph Kaufsky, a furrier, living in Williamsburg, knew Kraemer, and would not believe him under oath. He had always been flighty and foolish, and witness had often heard people say so. Julius Mazorats, of No. 742 Flushing avenue, had known Solomon Kraemer for eighteen years, and had heard people say they would not believe him under oath. He had heard his partner and Mr. Kayser speak of his bad character. The court then adjourned.

THE DISHONEST LETTER-COLLECTOR.

There was a continuous stream of visitors yesterday at the office of Special Agent Sharrett, in the Post Office Building, nearly all for the purpose of making inquiries regarding letters which it was hoped might be among those found in the room of Morris P. Bissinsky, the letter-collector arrested last Saturday. A large number were thus returned, and many instances could be given of evident satisfaction afforded, not only perhaps to some that the letters had been written to them, but to others that their little missives, confidential and otherwise, were reclaimed. Through the continued work of Mr. Sharrett, Superintendent Youmans, and Assistant Superintendent Brady, the letters found have all been sorted, and such as can be placed in envelopes, of course without the original inclosures, will be forwarded to-day. Of the entire number found probably four hundred are without envelopes, the latter having been torn up. Most of these have signed addresses, and circulars will be sent by Mr. Sharrett to these addresses, requesting the persons to call upon him and recover the matter. Two or three checks, other than those mentioned in THE TIMES of yesterday, were found among the *débris*, and the signers will be accordingly notified, though the checks will be held as evidence against the prisoner—evidence that matter of value was taken. Bissinsky, the Collector charged with the robbery of the mails, was brought before United States Commissioner Shields. He was accompanied by his father, who seemed to bitterly feel the disgrace cast upon the family, and also by his uncle, who occupies a prominent position in the Custom-house. Ex-Judge Dittenhoefer appeared for the prisoner, and Assistant United States District Attorney Pullman for the Government. The accused was held in $5,000 bail, for examination this afternoon.

CAPTURE OF A CALIFORNIA FORGER.

For the past six weeks the Police of Brooklyn have been patiently watching for the appearance on the street of a man named Perrin H. Summers, who was supposed to be hiding somewhere in that city. Summers was a deacon of a flourishing church in California, and had, by his good conduct, succeeded in gaining the entire confidence of those with whom he associated. After having established himself in the good graces of his neighbors, he began to deal in real estate. In this business he gained the entire confidence of the wealthy men in the neighborhood of his operations, and when he had so far succeeded as to induce them to believe that he was both wealthy and honest, he entered on a bold career of wholesale forgeries, amounting in the aggregate, it is said, to about $200,000, and having secured his plunder he escaped from the State. He was traced by the California detectives to New-York, and it was ascertained that he had taken up his abode in Brooklyn. Soon after his arrival there Sheriff Daggett was informed of the facts in the case, and the necessary papers were forwarded to him for the transfer of the fugitive to the custody of the California detectives when he was caught. An order of arrest was immediately issued and placed in the hands of Clerk George Hardy, and that official, with others, began the search for Summers. Yesterday morning they succeeded in finding him at a house in McDonough street, and took him into custody. The forger will be surrendered to the custody of the California detectives to-day.

THE BAPTIST CONFERENCE.

The regular weekly meeting of the New-York Baptist Conference was held yesterday at the Mariner's Church, corner of Oliver and Henry streets, Rev. Dr. Armitage presiding. The Secretary reported 350 baptisms during the month, the largest number ever recorded in the history of the conference. After prayer Rev. Dr. G. A. Schulte read an essay on the subject "What Means Promise Success in the Evangelization of Our Large German Population," arguing that a free German Church, and free Bible would prove most effective in disseminating the gospel among the Germans. He spoke unfavorably of the idea held by some that the German must be "Americanized" by learning English and conforming to American prejudices before he could receive the Divine truth, and closed by exhorting Baptists to employ the former method. The reading was followed by a spirited discussion, after which the meeting adjourned.

THE SEVENTH'S NEW ARMORY.

MEETING OF THE VETERAN ASSOCIATION—THE ARMORY PROJECT HEARTILY APPROVED—CENTENNIAL MATTERS.

A meeting of the Veteran Association of the Seventh Regiment was held last evening at Delmonico's, in Fourteenth street, to forward the movement for erecting a new regimental armory. Among the officers of the association present were Col. Marshall Lefferts, Lieut. Col. Cyrus H. Loutrel, Major William A. Pond, Adjutant Charles B. Boswick, Paymaster Henry H. Holly, and Commissary Gilbert L. Arrowsmith. Col Clark, of the Seventh Regiment, was also present, Col. Lefferts called the meeting to order, explained its object, and said that it was intended to place the whole matter under the supervision of a joint committee of the Veteran Association and of the officers of the regiment; that the building will not be commenced until an adequate sum is raised, and that, after a certain amount has been subscribed by the association and the regiment, the public will be invited to increase the amount. The sum already subscribed by the regiment amounts to $36,000, and within a very short time it would be $40,000. He then read a resolution to the effect that all moneys subscribed and collected for the purpose of erecting a new armory for the Seventh Regiment shall be deposited with the United States Trust Company and the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, and that Washington R. Vermilye, Royal Phelps, and Robert Lennox Kennedy be appointed Trustees of said fund. A resolution that the Veteran Association approves the movement to build a new armory and pledging their support to it, was adopted unanimously. A resolution to appoint Jackson S. Schultz and William Laimbeer as members of the Building Committee was also adopted. A motion was adopted that the Captains of each of the companies of the association select three members as members of the committee and hand the same in to Col. Lefferts. Col. Clark, in answer to a question, said that to payment of the first instalment of the subscriptions would be required whenever the General Committee called for it. If the subscriptions are sufficiently liberal the work would be commenced the present year. The regimental subscriptions would reach, he thought, $45,000, but no member would be pressed to give more than he could afford.

The Committee on Centennial matters reported that arrangements have been made for the association to proceed to Philadelphia on the 3d of July and to return on the 5th. Col. Lefferts said a movement was on foot to procure a representative company from the thirteen original States to visit the Centennial, and he hoped the Seventh Regiment would have the honor of escorting them down Broadway. Col. Clark said it was somewhat doubtful at present whether the regiment would visit Philadelphia. The association then adjourned. Copies of the plan of the proposed new building were shown. It is to be erected on Fourth avenue and Sixty-sixth street, on land now belonging to the City, and valued at $350,000. The cost of the building is estimated at $330,000.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

PROCEEDINGS IN BANKRUPTCY AND ASSIGNMENTS.

The affairs of the firm of J. & T. Pearsall, fruit-dealers at No. 168 Front street, which are in the hands of Mr. McGregor Steele, the Assignee, give little encouragement to the creditors. In the schedule of the Assignee the liabilities of the firm are stated as $36,000; nominal assets, $56,099 11; actual assets, $1,623 50. The liabilities of Treadwell Pearsall, the successor of the above firm, are $54,058 94; nominal assets, $51,010 91, of which $14,399 40 are believed to be good. The actual assets of both combined amount to $16,000, which will probably realize to the creditors between ten and fifteen per cent. The Assignee has discovered that the defalcation of Comstock, the book-keeper of the firm, amounts to $85,000, but new amounts are found nearly every day which will increase the aggregate. Comstock's property is all attached by his father, so the creditors will not get anything from that source. The real estate of the firm will net little over the mortgages, but it is expected that their interest in two vessels will realize about fifteen hundred dollars.

A meeting of the creditors of Salmon Rose & Emanuel S. Rose, dealers in jewelry, at No. 67 Nassau street, will be held to-day at the office of John Fitch, Register in bankruptcy, at No. 345 Broadway, to choose an Assignee in bankruptcy. Their liabilities are about fifteen thousand dollars, and their nominal assets $4,312 05, of which the greater part are book accounts. There are about one hundred and seventy creditors, among whom are P. & A. Rose, $1,900; Porter & Buffinton, of Providence, $1,433 60; New-York Watch Company, $1,046 56.

Negotiations are in progress between Augustus F. Kibbe, stove dealer, at No. 256 Water street, who suspended two weeks ago, and his creditors, with a view to compromise. He offers thirty cents cash or forty cents on time, and all but one of the creditors have signified their acceptance of his proposition.

John C. Rue, cigar dealer, of No. 397½ Pearl street, assigned his property to Israel C. Lawrence. In the schedule accompanying this assignment the liabilities are set down at $2,072 48, the nominal assets at $2,433 77, and the real assets at $1,830 77. A bond in $3,000 was ordered from the assignee.

Andrew Cumming, David Johnston, and John Thomson, forming the firm of Cumming, Johnston & Co., stone-cutters, of West Fifty-first street and Eleventh avenue, assigned their property to William Winterbottom.

Abraham Hecht and Meyer Newman, composing the firm of A. Hecht & Co., tin dealers, of No. 305 Pearl street, made an assignment of their property for the benefit of creditors to Max Moses yesterday.

Alexander Scott and Theodore Van Raden, forming the firm of Scott & Van Raden, produce dealers, of No. 340 Washington street, assigned their property to Newell E. Yale.

A DAY'S ACCIDENTS.

The following accidents were reported by the Police yesterday: James Sharkey, aged sixty-four, of Egbertsville, Staten Island, fell on the side-walk at Twenty-ninth street and Tenth avenue and fractured his left hip. Charles Green, aged thirty, of No. 63 Clinton place, while visiting a friend at No. 298 Greenwich street, fell through a hatchway and was fatally injured. Elizabeth Allen, aged forty-two, of No. 166 Elm street, fell on the ice at Madison avenue and Fortieth street, and cut her head severely. Bridget McQue, aged fifty, of No. 505 West Twenty-seventh street, fell on the sidewalk in Fourth street, near West Twelfth street, and received a severe scalp wound. Henry Sutton, aged seventy, fell on the ice in front of No. 36 Bowery, and fractured his right hip. Mary O'Gorman, aged fifty-nine, while intoxicated, fell on the sidewalk in the Bowery and broke her right leg. Edward Donaldie, aged twenty-seven, of No. 413 West Twenty-fifth street, fell from a fence at No. 314 West Twenty-third street, and fractured both elbows and sustained a serious injury to his spine. William Blair, aged twenty-four, of No. 533 West Forty-third street, had his left arm fractured by being caught in the machinery while at work at Higgins' carpet factory, at the foot of West Forty-third street.

Yesterday morning Dennis Carr, aged forty-five, a baker, of No. 26 Madison street, was found unconscious on the corner of New Bowery and Madison street, and taken to the New-York Hospital, where he died soon after. Yesterday afternoon Deputy Coroner Cushman made a post-mortem examination, and found that Carr's skull was fractured, and that there were marks of violence on his face.

RIFLE MATCH AT YONKERS.

The return match between two teams of the Yonkers Rifle Association, commanded by Capt. Douglas Smyth and Major Fredine Shonnard, respectively, was contested yesterday at the Moresemere range, Yonkers. Although the weather was fine, the wind in the earlier part of the match was variable and troublesome. The snow which covered the ground by its refraction and glare also interfered with the shooting. In view of these combined difficulties, which are likely to attend shooting in the Winter season, the scores are worthy of particular notice. Following are the scores of the several members of each team:

SMYTH'S TEAM.

J. L. Morse	2 5 5 4 2 4 4 4 3 4 5 4 2 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 4 3 4 4 4 5 4 4 5 5 5 3 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5—169	
H. L. Garris'n	4 5 5 4 4 4 3 5 5 5 4 5 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 4 5 5 4 5 5 4 5 5 4 5 4 5 4 4 5—182	
C. Hodgman	5 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 4 5 5 4—188	
S. G. Perry	5 5 4 4 5 4 4 4 4 5 5 4 4 4 5 5 4 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 4—186	
D. Smyth	5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 4 4 4 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 4—190	
Total		915

SHONNARD'S TEAM.

L. M. Ballard	5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5 5 4 5 5—191	
C. Duseneburg, Jr.	5 2 3 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 3 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5—183	
A. H. Jocelyn	4 5 5 4 5 4 4 4 5 3 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5—185	
H. Quinn	4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5—182	
F. Shonnard	5 4 2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 3 5 4 3 5 5 4 5 3 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5—172	
Total		913

Major Shonnard's team having won the first match on Jan. 10, the third and decisive contest will be shot in March next.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The Commissioners of Parks will to-day open proposals for slating the Central Park Museum of Art.

The regular monthly sermon before the Methodist Preachers was preached yesterday morning by Bishop Janes, whose theme was the Scriptures.

A charity concert in aid of the Five Points House of Industry will be given this evening at Steinway Hall, under the auspices of "Mystic Crew," "I. O."

The number of applications to the out-door relief department of the Department of Charities and Correction have averaged 1 thousand daily during the past week.

The orders made at Albany on Nov. 25, 1875, appointing Isaac V. French as Receiver of the Central Park and the People's Savings Banks were filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday.

The following is the weekly report of Chamberlain Tappan: Balance in the City Treasury, Jan. 29, $811,518 22; receipts last week, $706,035 69; payments, $873,900 15; balance, Feb. 5, $643,653 76.

The New-York Neurological Society held its regular meeting at the hall of the Academy of Medicine, No. 12 West Thirty-first street, last evening. The subject considered was "The Clinical History of Hysteria."

Messrs. F. B. Nicol & Co., manufacturers of gas-fixtures, china, glass, &c., have removed their salesrooms from No. 686 Broadway, to their new store, No. 4 Great Jones street, near the old stand, where in future the business of the firm will be conducted.

United States Commissioner Richard E. Stillwell has sent in his resignation as Deputy Clerk of the United States Circuit Court, to take effect on the 15th inst. Mr. Stillwell has been connected with the United States courts for upward of thirty-five years.

The results of the semi-annual examination at the New-York College were announced to the students yesterday morning. Only twenty-four failed to pass, one of this number being in the Junior class, one in the Sophomore, and twenty-two in the Freshmen.

The Tammany Society held its regular monthly meeting last night, Grand Sachem Schell presiding. There were twenty-six candidates elected. Among the number were ex-Congressman Charles H. Winfield and Hon. Alexander Mitchell, of Milwaukee. A number of persons proposed were rejected.

The regular monthly meeting of the Police Court Justices was held at the Washington Place Police Court last evening, Justice Bixby presiding. A formal complaint was made against William B. Rockwell, Chief Clerk of the Tombs Police Court, who, it was charged, would not permit the court interpreter to act as warrant clerk. John W. Conkling was appointed interpreter to the Sixth District Court.

The funeral of the late Joseph Keen, who, for the past forty-one years, filled the position of Superintendent of the Work-house on Blackwell's Island, will take place from Dr. Chapin's church to-morrow at 12:30 P. M. At a meeting of the officers of the Department of Charities, held on Sunday evening at Bellevue Hospital, resolutions of respect to the memory of Mr. Keen and of condolence with his family were adopted.

BROOKLYN.

President Grant yesterday informed United States Marshal Harlan of the pardon of Moritz Rossvally, who was convicted of counterfeiting in 1869, and sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment in the Albany Penitentiary.

Alderman Parker, of the Fifteenth Ward, charges the street cleaning contractor in that district with neglecting his work. The Board of City Works have given him until noon to-day to make amends. Failing then the work will be taken in hand by the department, and the expense will be charged to the contractor.

LONG ISLAND.

Revival meetings continue with unabated interest in the Methodist churches on the south side. At Sayville, on Sunday evening, forty-eight persons were received on probation, and thirty-two received the ordinance of Christian baptism. The work is equally favored elsewhere.

The Board of Supervisors of Suffolk County will hold a special meeting at Riverhead to-day, conjointly with the Board of Superintendents of the Poor, for the purpose of taking into consideration the question of what is to be done with the tramps who are constantly applying for relief.

The Methodist preachers of Southern Long Island will hold their next associate session at Bayport this afternoon and evening. The opening sermon will be preached this afternoon, at 2 o'clock, by Rev. Smith Sands, of Bellport; the evening sermon by Rev. R. Codling, of Islip. On Wednesday, at 10:30 A. M., prayer-meeting; at 2 P. M. a love-feast, followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; and at 7 P. M. a sermon by Rev. T. D. Littlewood, of Bay Shore.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

The February term of the County Court and Court of Sessions for Westchester County began at White Plains yesterday, before Judge Gifford and the Justices of Sessions. A Grand Jury was impanaled and the consideration of criminal cases begun. The criminal calendar of the term is represented to be unusually large, and embraces a number of important cases.

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